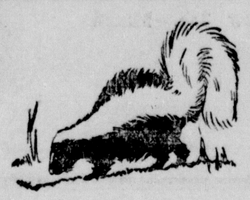
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The P. C. Editor Says:

Every single problem of either a social or economic nature that troubles the Nation today had its inception and grew to maturity in the twelve years of Republican misrule and gross neglect and indifference prior to 1933. They are mournful hangovers from past G. O. P. regimes.

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We hear a lot about those great big he men that play football, but read this: Vern Miller of Milwaukee. Wis., 274-pound Harvard football tackle, offered his services today as a "baby tender". Another Harvard athlete, Track Captain James D. Lightbody, Jr., of Glencoe, Ill., already has passed his first test as a male nurse. He tended Richard W. Simmers, Jr., 2, yesterday, and Mrs. Simmers said he handled the child "marvelously." Twenty-five students are avaliable as "baby tenders" at a rate of 20 cents an hour until midnight and 50 cents an hour thereafter, plus carfare.—Jackson Cash-Book.

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"This is a small world," people often say, when they meet someone who know someone they know. The world seems quite large when you try to find people who owe you money.

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This paper expects to remain "neutral" in the 1940 primary campaign, and we do not even know whether Senator Harry Truman expects to be a candidate for re-election, but we do think that credit should be given where credit is due. Senator Truman was elected to the U. S. Senate by the Democratic voters and he has never let them down. He has made a fine record and has always been found fighting squarely behind President Roosevelt — and that is more than can be said for Missouri's other senator.—Illmo Jimplicute.

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The only person we know of who refuses to be convinced the United States is going to keep out of the European War is our old optimist, Herbert Hoover, who still professes fear the Democrats will get us mined, submarined or bombed. Likely he thinks the war is just around the same corner he vainly looked for prosperity. He terms the Democrats as "the war party." Senator Robert Taft might be added to the doubters as he cannot believe the people will trust their peace to the Democratic party. It is true that the Democrats, with all of the dictating ascribed to Roosevelt, have not started any trouble with such little powers as Nicaragua. Just who was it that sent the marines down there? And who was it that called out the army to protect Washington from the unemployed World War veterans? We are so absent minded we are afraid to name the political war party.—Shelbina Democrat.

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It seems that a Sikeston young Miss was having her first date and her mother sought to give her a little advice. "Now, daughter, your boy friend will likely take you to the movie, then to the ice cream parlor, and likely ask you to go for a drive the beautiful moonlight night, and you will go. Then he will ask you to sit a bit closer to him, and you doubtless will, then he will tell you to lay your head on his shoulder, then is when I will be worried". And sure enough this routine was followed out, but when it came to pass that he asked her to lay her head on his shoulder, she remembered about her mother being worried at this stage of the ride, so she said: "No you don't, you lay your head on my shoulder and then your mother can do the worrying."

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Unless steps are taken soon the roadside squatters will give Southeast Missouri another lot of publicity that is anything but enviable. We hear of tracts of land being sold, the farmers, renters, or sharecroppers, whichever you may call them will be disposessed in order to make room for outside labor who will be brought in by the new landowners, and with no place to go will have to camp on the roadside. It is our understanding that a number of these renters have their live stock and farm machinery, all of which will have to be sacrificed unless some farm land is provided and a house to live in. It is dead wrong to bring outside farm labor into this section when there is plenty here at their call, thereby turning local labor out of house to suffer.

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27-Year Old History of County Extension Work, Future Goals Related by Agent's Office

Started in 1913 and Expanded to Major Agency, Aiding Farmers by Promoting New Methods in Agricultural Pursuits

County Agent Leon M. Lane, Assistant Agent C. M. Christy and Miss Ella Kikuart, home demonstration agent, and Farm Bureau members have compiled a summary of extension work in Scott County from 1913 to 1939, beginning with the activities of the first county agent and extending to the objectives and problems of the coming year.

Because of the interest and foresightedness of a progressive group of citizens of Sikeston, a committee consisting of L. D. Baker, G. B. Greer, J. P. Ranney, C. F. McMullin, A. J. Matthews, Frank Smith, and J. M. Sitzes, was appointed March 31, 1913, to secure the services of a farm advisor. Through contact with D. H. Doan of the Missouri College of Agriculture the services of H. B. Derr were secured as county farm advisor." Mr. Derr's salary was paid one-fourth from federal funds, one-fourth from state funds and one-half from local sources. In securing this money, the County Court provided $1000, the Sikeston School Board $250 and farmers $1 each for membership in a farm organization.

Mr. Derr went to work September 15, 1913. Monday morning he spent in the office in the Hoosier Land Company Building in Sikeston. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday he visited farmers and Saturday in the office at Benton. Mr. Derr worked on treating hogs for cholera, teaching farmers to judge corn and small grains, preached saving barnyard manure, and organized boys and girls clubs on seed corn selection and canning. Farmers institutes were held at which time information on agriculture and home economics were discussed. At one of these, in 1914, information was given on ferilizing corn and wheat and profitable poultry production by Professor H. L. Kempster of the Missouri College of Agriculture. Township fairs and farm bureau local organizations were encouraged.

1915 RECORD

In 1915 Mr. Deer, reports 527 farm visits, 3028 office calls, 73 news items, 991 telephone calls, 1908 personal letters, 3624 miles traveled by rail and 3132 miles by road, 4204 hogs vaccinated for cholera, 22 farmers growing seed corn according to recommendations, 175 acres of orchards sprayed, 50 manure spreaders purchased, 1200 acres tested for acidity, 150 tons of lime used, 300 acres of alfalfa seeded.

In 1915, Miss Addie Root of the Missouri College of Agriculture gave demonstrations to 100 women and high school girls in the basement of the Oran Methodist Church on canning, giving the same demonstration at New Hamburg, Illmo, and Benton. At one of the 4-H club contests sponsored by Mr. Derr in New Hamburg, in 1917, Syril Stehr placed first, Joseph Bucher, second, Leo Hamm, third, and Albert Diebold, fourth, in election of seed corn.

CHANGES IN AGENTS

On Oct. 1, 1917, Mr. Derr resigned, J. H. Slaughter was selected by the Farm Bureau Board, R. L. Harrison of Morley, being president at that time. Mr. Slaughter resigned January 1, 1918, and John Stinson was secured until A. N. Smith was hired February 12. Mr. Smith carried on the work started by Mr. Derr; however, this being during the war period, intensive work on increasing wheat and corn yields took up most of his time. So important was wheat production that Mr. Smith appointed a thrasher committee, whose duty it was to see that all thrashers operated at maximum efficiency. The Sikeston Chamber of Commerce assisted Mr. Smith with 4-H club work in seed corn selection and canning. In September, 1918, Mr. Smith resigned because of a ruling of the County Court no more expense money could be allowed.

FORM SEMO BUREAU

Scott County was without an agent until Oct. 6, 1919, when A. I. Ford, then state agent, was hired by the County Court. The Southeast Missouri Agriculture Bureau became active in 1919, assisting agricultural agents with hog cholera vaccination, encouraging production of quality livestock, especially Poland China hogs and Aberdeen Angus Cattle, with the primary interest being to boost Southeast Missouri and attract people to this area. This Bureau was made up of influential farmers from the counties of Mississippi, New Madrid, Scott and Stoddard. Such men as Thad Snow, Judge X. Caverno, E. C. Matthews, W. H. Sikes, were active in this organization. It was during this period that county farm bureaus joined this organization rather than affilliating with the State Federation.

In 1929 the Farm Bureau membership of Scott County was 738 farmers under the leadership of L. D. Baker, president. Such organizations as the Guernsey Breeders Association, the Poland China Breeders Association and the Melon Growers Association, were active. In 1921, A. I. Ford resigned and was replaced by W. E. Ford. It was during this year that the Farm Bureau gave the 4-H club boys who obtained highest yield in their corn work and girls who did outstanding work in canning, a free trip to Farmer's Week at Columbia. Ten ex-soldiers were also given the free trip. The Oran Canning Club won first place at Farmer's Week on a canning exhibit.

COTTON CO-OPERATIVE

In 1923, W. E. Ford Resigned and A. J. Renner became County Agent in February. Prior to Mr. Renner's time, agents had done their work through farm visits, personal contacts, exhibits, and contests in cooperation with marketing associations and the Southeast Missouri Agriculture Bureau. During the period of the war, expansion of crop land and increased wheat and corn yields were of primary interests. The Missouri Cotton Grower's Cooperative was organized and work was started on varieties to be used by Scott County cotton farmers. Mr. Renner was assisted in the work by the Agriculture Bureau: John M. Montgomery of Dexter, president; A. I. Ford, Secretary; W. H. Sikes, Judge X. Caverno, Thad Snow, J. H. Moore, all men interested in seeing extension work progress.

Though there had been some program planning work done immediately after the war, Mr. Renner was the first man to attempt planning with people in the community, five communities being included. These groups planned to have 4-H club work, desired the Farm Bureau to purchase Acala cotton seed to seed 100 acres; to set up a lime crusher at Illmo; control melon pests; to organize a bee keepers' association; assist on orchard spraying; soil management work on sand land; demonstration on teaching women to make hats and mens clothing; to teach care of the sick and health work; poultry flock management demonstrations; assist with exhibit work. The Sikeston Fair was at its height and the Benton Neighbor Day starting.

In 1931, Mr. Renner resigned, followed by R. L. Furry, May 30. Mr. Furry continued the work started by Mr. Renner much in the same manner increasing emphasis on 4-H club work, poultry and dairy. 4-H club work reached its peak in Scott County in 1933. Thirty-four 4-H clubs with 288 members were organized. Eighteen of these clubs were with whites and 16 with negroes.

Other than AAA work in 1934 and 1935, control of garden and melon insect pests, a little work on poultry, and publicity on these problems, was the extent of the extension program in the county.

LAND-USE PLANNING

In 1936 land-use planning was started. The county was divided into areas, soil types and farming systems determining the boundries. Recommendations were made as to farming system to be followed in each. To date very little use has been made of this excellent work. Mr. Furry died in February, 1936, and was followed by F. B. Veatch, Jr. May 1, 1939, Mr. Veatch resigned and was followed by Leon M. Lane.

Beginning with the Agriculture Conservation Program in 1936, the Agriculture Adjustment Administration began placing more of the responsibility for administration in the hands of local committeemen, turning the educational work over to the agent leaving more time for other extension work.

FIRST WOMAN AGENT

In 1936 the first home demonstration agent, Miss Veva Anthony, was obtained. The Head, Salcedo, Bleda and Miner Home Economics clubs organized by R. L. Furry were in a receptive mood for an organized home extension program. The McMullin, Ward and Vanduer clubs were organized during the year. All clubs met once a month with a planned program. The first county home economics program planning was undertaken through the cooperation of the home demonstration agent the County Council and specialist from the College of Agriculture. This program included not only food and clothing projects, but home management, yard beautification, home gardens, and child development with emphasis placed on 4-H club work.

Miss Anthony was transferred to Osage County, Jan. 1, 1937. On Feb. 17, of the same year, Ella Fikuart came to the county to continue with the program. To date the following communities have organized and are active: Benton, Illmo, Rockview, South Rockview, Owenby, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Valley, White Oak, Porter Switch, Diehlstadt, Lemon, Lennox and Miner. Seventeen clubs with an active membership of 255 will start 1940.

When the program planning committee of 1939 decided that home extension club work was desired in every township in the county, the County Council met, named and voted on the projects by months for the club program books. A well-balanced group of projects in foods, clothing, home management, yard beautification, home garden, poultry, child development and home health and sanitation, will appeal to women interested in better home and community life, was the unanimous opinion of the Council.

Some of the results and accomplishments, the people who have been interested in and assisted with extension work in Scott County may point to are: (1) the increased acreage of lespedeza; beginning with a few acres in 1931 for use in pasture mixtures, with better than 33,000 acres in 1939 for use as hay, pasture, and seed; (2) vaccinating of hogs for cholera, taught to farmer in 1913 by H. B. Derr, now a common practice; (3) seed corn selection started by Mr. Derr in 1913; now developed to registered seed corn production by such men as Louis Dohogne with his Midland Yellow Dent and the McMullin Estate, J. S. Kevil, agent, Missouri 8 Hybrid. (4) seeding wheat after the Hessian fly free date, started during A. J. Renner's time, now commonly practiced: (5) seeding early maturing, long staple cotton varieties; worked on in 1917 by H. B. Derr, continued by A. J. Renner, R. L. Furry, and F. B. Veatch, speeded by the cooperation of ginners by getting 80 per cent of the cotton land in Scott County seeded with registered quality cotton seed of D. & P. L. and Stoneville varieties, and approximately 98 per cent of all cotton in Scott County seeded with long staple varieties in 1939; (6) poultry production practices including sanitation, feeding, poultry house construction, control of parasites and diseases, worked on by every agent; (7) Assistance to Rural Electricification to the extent of seeing a 400-mile-four-county project now in officient operation; (8) crotalaria introduced and its influence spread; (9) pure bred sires for all livestock, encouraged by every agent; (10) soil-testing, liming, and fertilizing of crops; (11) control of garden and field insect pests and diseases; (12) 4-H club work started in 1913 with Mr. Derr; in 1939 fourteen clubs with 85 boys and 83 girls completed; 15 are organized with 115 girls and 95 boys for 1940; (13) education of farmers on treating horses for bots beginning with 90 head in 1930, raising to 2005 head by 231 farmers in 1937, falling off in 1938 and 1939, with an extensive schedule planned for 1940; (14) starting with assisting veterinarians in lining up herds for Bang's disease testing in 1933, one herd tested and ending with 300 herds with more than 4000 animals tested in 1939; (15) an Agriculture Conservation first administered by county agent, now in the hands of farmers trained to handle it efficiently, bringing more than $200,000 to farmer in the county each year in benefit payment alone; (16) Contouring of small grains and corn being practiced for the first time in 1939 on a few farms, although Joe Ruhs did terracing in 1933.

HOME EC. RESULTS

Some of the results in Home Economics Extension work to which leaders and workers may point with pride are:

Each succeeding year since 1936 more gardens were planned and planted to fit the family needs; better quality seeds and plants were used:

Yard, garden, and household insect control was practiced more each year.

Interest has continued to grow in the well nourished family to the extent that 638 families canned 143,187 quarts of fruits, vegetables and meats and prepared 108,780 containers fo jellies, jam preserves, and pickles, to help balance the menus during the non-growing season and reduce the grocery bill; 589 housewives tried to plan and prepare balanced meals the entire year; 624 home makers made an effort to improve the health habits of their respective families, particularly the children.

Fifty-seven families considered their children as junior partners in the family business and council and reported splendid interest and cooperation.

The ultimate goal of the well-dressed family has steadily gained in popularity until 604 families made 5568 dresses and 1236 fitted slips; mended 4840 garments, 23,552 pairs of hose and 19,848 pairs of socks, in 1939. In addition remodelling and dying was done. Since 1936, 179 pairs of leather gloves were made.

The attractive comfortable home idea has made a greater appeal with succeeding years of its advent in the program. Improvement was reported on 402 yards; 292 cotton mattresses were made as compared with 28 in 1938, and 15 in 1937; 566 pieces of furniture were refinished; 592 rugs were crocheted, hooked, braided, tufted or sewed.

Through the home extension program $141,593.60 was saved by those who participated.

The previously enumerated activities have been accomplished by county leaders, men and women interested in seeing Scott County a better place to live, who gave of their time, energy, and money to bring to Scott County the teachings of the Missouri College of Agriculture and practices found to be good by farm men and women in other part of the state.

OFFICE VOLUME

To picture the volume of business handled through the extension office and the Agriculture Conservation Association Office in 1939, the following statistics may be of interest: 23,519 office calls; 136 circular letters; 528,084 copies of circular letters; 8,957 individual letters; 1,384 telephone calls; 822 farm visits; 18,767 attendance at agents meetings; 246 meeting held by local leaders; 7,844 attendance at local leaders meetings.

During 1939, the Agriculture Conservation Association has given checks to farmers totaling $486,017.68. Administration of the Agriculture Conservation Program now being handled by the county committee, the agents can devote more time to other work. The Scott County Extension Program as planned by the County and Community Committees, for 1940 has the following objectives:

OBJECTIVES

To produce good citizens; Stabilize tenure of land.; to have good homes (where the necessities of life exist and the family is congenial); to have a good community (a group of good homes with common interests in schools, religion, good roads, etc.); to help farm families make efficient use of resources and time.

To conserve the soil.

To put the land to use to which it is suited.

Wholesome recreation for boys, girls and adults of communities.

Thruogh the work of the County Program Planning Committee and a Community Program Planning Committee in each of the eight townships in Scott County, the following problems were selected as being of immediate importance and should be the basis for the extension program for 1940:

1940 PROBLEMS

How to increase the fertility of the soil and increase crop yields.

Lack of home ownership.

Lack of opportunities for developing young people and how to provide recreation.

How to maintain the family and community sanitation and health in rural communities.

How to use home products and time to best advantage.

How to produce a profitable flock of chickens.

How to control melon wilt.

Records of early activities in extension work were secured from the newspaper files of The Sikeston Standard, C. L. Blanton, editor and The Sikeston Herald, Clint H. Denman, editor. These papers together with other local papers have always cooperated to get timely information to the farmers. This cooperation is appreciated by farmers and leaders.

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★ FASHION PREVIEW ★



Home for the hclidays is Blossom. She allowed December Co-Ed Housekeeping to intrude on an informal record session long enough to photograph her in her polka-dot silk-taffeta dress with a tiny waist and a whirl-wind skirt. She wears suede, high heeled slippers but moire pumps are equally pretty with this frock.

Bulldogs to Open Tuesday At Morehouse

Selection of the starting line-up when the Bulldogs go to Morehouse this Tuesday evening for their opening hoop clash of the season was still a toss-up to Coach Vernon Green Monday.

"In all probability," Coach Green said, "the lettermen will get the first call." There are seven lettermen, DeWitt Lambert, Bobby Montgomery, Lee Bowman, Carl Diehl, David Lumsden, Billy Simmons and Art Swacker.

However, Coach Green said he would have a "first ten" instead of a "first five", and is considering trying several combinations during the game.

The coach last week experimented with several quintet arrangements in order to see which players worked the best together. Action in the Morehouse game may determine future lineups, Coach Green said.

Morehouse dropped a game recently to Diehlstadt, 35-14.

WPA Pauper Left $47,000 in Bank

Miami, Fla., December 9.—Charles H. Barnes, thought a penniless WPA laborer at the time of his death in a hospital charity ward six months ago, was disclosed today to have had a $47,000 fortune hidden in a safety deposit box.

His widow, Anna, and his daughter, Mrs. Anastasia La Plante, knew nothing of his mysterious wealth nor how he accumulated it.

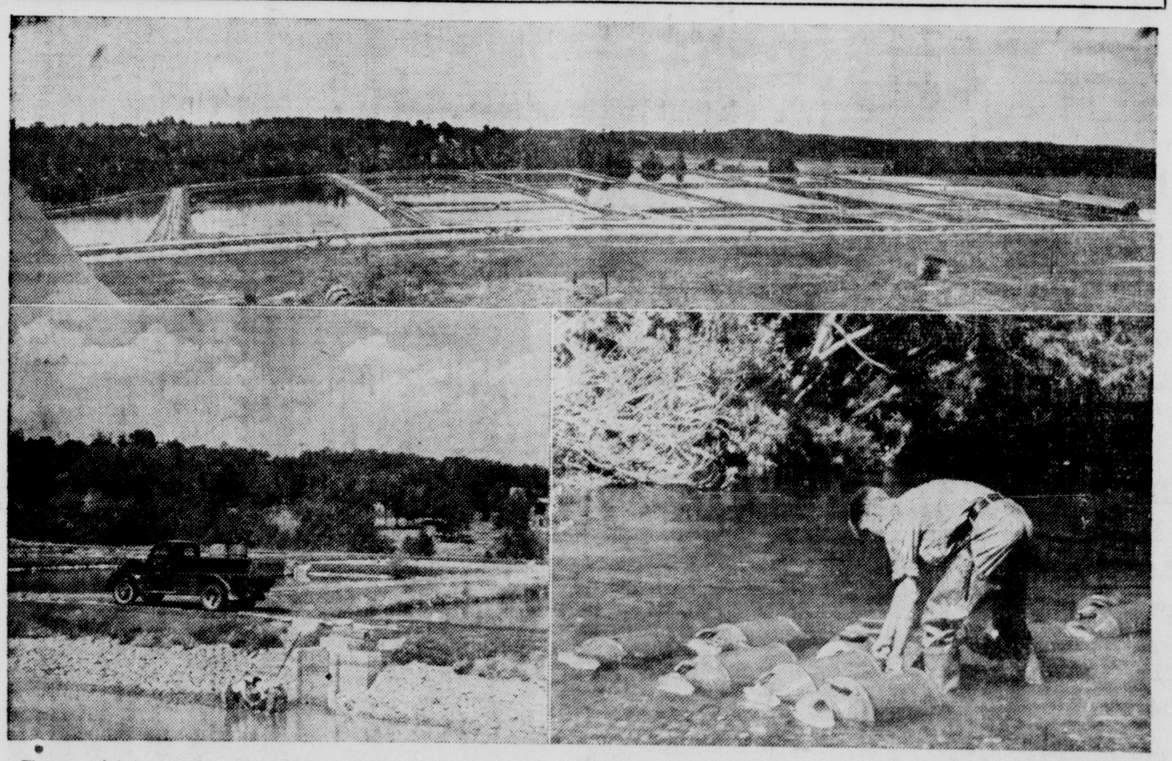
Melbourne L. Martin, attorney, unfolded these details in Probate Court:

Barnes, 64, came to Miami 18 years ago from Jersey City, lived frugally but made little money and finally went on relief.

Two months ago the widow received notice from a bank that rent on Barnes' safety deposit box was due. She tossed the notice away, believing it a mistake.

Last week another notice came. Daughter and mother investigated. No key could be found and the box was drilled open. In it lay $47,000 in banknotes, some of $1000 denomination.

Conservation Commission Helps Keep Fisherman's Lines Tight



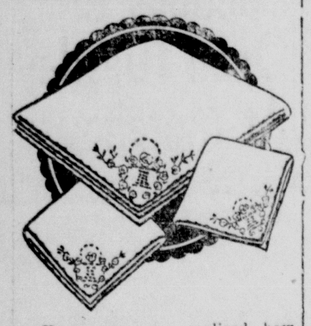
These are fish harvest days and the Missouri Conservation Commission is gathering daily from its modern hatcheries thousands of game fish and planting them in public fishing waters of the state. The Conservation Commission produces and distributes to suitable water about half a million fish each year.

The top picture shows some of the 23 hatchery ponds at Chesapeake State Hatchery in Lawrence County, one of the state fish hatcheries. Lower left: Hatchery employees gather fish for transporting by truck. Lower right: The fish, transported in milk cans, are carefully "planted" in suitable water.

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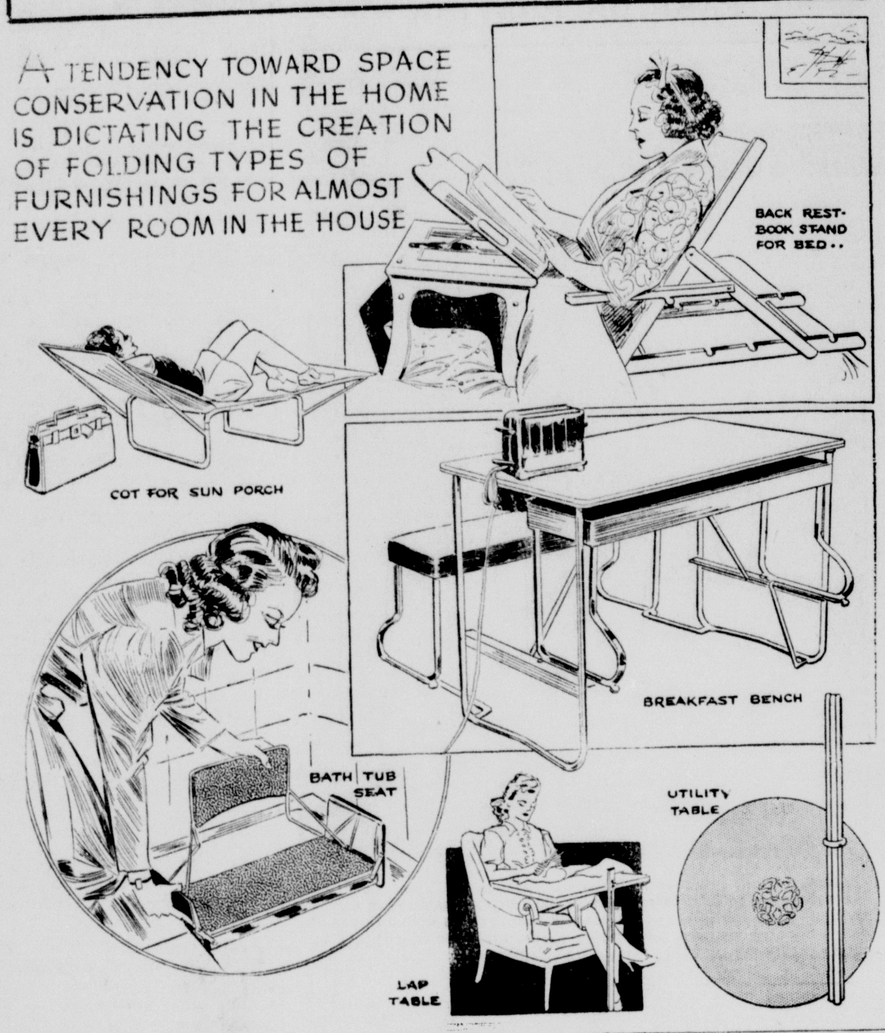


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THE TREND OF THINGS



PREMATURE USE OF LAND FORMS CIVIC PROBLEM

A problem closely related to that of providing good homes on a sound basis of financing is that of the premature subdivision of land, particularly that lying outside the city limits.

While normal city growth would eventually call for the use of some of this land, Federal Housing Administration land-planning officials feel that the practice of subdividing land before it is ripe for development has the dual effect of attracting families from well-established neighborhoods in cities and of creating serious civic problems, such as undue extension of public utilities, the need for new police and fire protection, and new schools.

With receipts from taxable properties shrinking, as is the case in many localities, and new calls being made upon city funds, municipal officials are becoming inclined to use every means at their disposal to check further deterioration of blighted neighborhoods and to devise means of protecting neighborhoods, new and old, which till are free from blight.

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"ANGEL" TESTIFIES FATHER DIVINE SAID HE WAS OMNIPOTENT

New York, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Verinda Brown, one of Father Divine's former "angels," testified in Supreme Court today the Negro cult leader once told her he was omnipotent.

"I am omnipotent and omnipresent and nobody can touch me, nobody can harm me," she quoted him as saying. She is suing Father Divine for $4476 she said she turned over to him.

"'Government banks all must fail, but mine will never fail,'" the witness said he told her.

"He also told me to be with my husband only as sister and brother, and to despise everybody for Father Divine's sake—my uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, even myself."

Keevey Frankel, counsel for Father Divine, asserted the plaintiff was "but an instrument and a tool" of forces trying to destroy his peace mission movement.

"Angel" Brown was resplendent in a Christmas green ensemble topped off with a turkey feather in her hat. Negro spectators predominated.

The financial acumen by which Father Divine built up a religious empire worth at least $250,000 may be disclosed as the trial progresses.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Otto Bratton of Morehouse was taken Thursday afternoon in the Albritton ambulance to the Southeast Missouri Hospital for an operation.

HEALTH DIRECTOR URGES COUNTY SUBSIDES

As County Courts are making up budgets for the coming year, Doctor Harry F. Parker, State Health Commissioner, is urging them to include health units for their counties in 1940. These county health units consisting of a public health physician, engineer and nurse make a well balanced unit for the protection of the health of the entire county in a preventive and educational program.

"So much can be done in the prevention of disease by trained personnel who are constantly on the alert for epidemics and other signs of disease and who watch the environmental conditions that affect health and can stop a diseased condition before the outbreak sets in that I am firmly convinced that these units can do much for the better health of the whole state", said Dr. Parker.

"Our nurses can do much in advising with the caring for the expectant mother; in supervising examination of school children for physical impairments that may become serious if allowed to continue; and in doing a general public health nursing program over the county."

Communists Control American Shipping, Former Leader Says

"TO-DAY the Soviet government dominates the most strategic industry of the country through the National Maritime Union of America, which has jurisdiction on ocean-going, coastwise and lake shipping. This union is completely controlled by the Communist party. Its president, Joseph Curran, and most of the members of its executive board are enrolled Communists."

The flat statement quoted above is from the article, "I Confess" by Ben Gitlow. In the January Cosmopolitan, Mr. Gitlow, former No. 1 Communist, discloses the methodical manner in which Stalin secured control of American seamen. He also says:

"The Communist party also established a marine school to train Red seamen and to prepare leaders for the water front. This school was situated in 1937 in Communist Camp Nitgedaiget near Beacon, New York.

"The National Maritime Union brooks no opposition to its Com-



JOHN L. LEWIS
Defeated Moscow Steel Plan

munist control, and resorts to Stalinist methods to retain power. Only recently, on September 17, 1939, a mysterious murder occurred in New Orleans. The victim was Philip Carey, a Communist member of the union's Gulf District executive board. Some weeks before Carey's violent death, the entire board had been removed from office because of opposition to Communist interference and replaced by obedient party members. It was common talk on the New Orleans water front that Phil Carey was murdered because he was giving away Communist secrets."

Premier Molotoff has been credited by many in the United States for the passage of the embargo repeal. His violent denunciation of such action is comprehensible in view of Mr. Gitlow's statements, since important shipping would thus be taken out of the hands of Communist-controlled American seamen.



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WINTER TRAFFIC TOLL SPURS DRIVE TO REDUCE SLIPPERY PAVEMENT ACCIDENTS



Above: *Accidents like this, in fearful number each winter, have focused attention on methods of prevention.*

Top right: *The National Safety Council measured stopping distances at various speeds on a frozen lake last winter.*

Lower right: *Skidproofing icy pavements with calcium chloride treated sand or cinders cut stopping distance in half, Iowa researchers found.*

REMEMBER the days when automobiling was almost strictly a summer sport? The days when muddy roads in spring and fall, and snow-jammed roads in winter, kept motor cars in their garages from November through to May? The motorist who operated his car the year-round then was really a bear for punishment.

Paved roads, the tremendous increase in car ownership, social and business growth, have changed all this. Today the one who "puts his car up for the winter" is the rare exception.

Winter use of highways has brought many advantages but along with the benefits has come an alarming increase in traffic fatalities. So serious has the winter accident record become that safety engineers and highway departments throughout the country are uniting as never before in a determined drive to reduce the heavy casualty toll.

The most treacherous road condition the winter driver has to face is icy pavements. Snow-bound roads may stop or slow up travel, but icy roads spell danger with every revolution of the auto's wheels.

Tests and research studies to determine ways and means of reducing the hazards of icy pavements have been conducted during the past winter by the National Safety Council, the Iowa Engineering Experiment Station, the University of Michigan and others. As a result of these tests and similar ones now under way, engineers are developing methods of ice control that will place winter driving on a much safer basis in the future. The effectiveness of tire chains, skidproofing icy pavements with sand or cinders, and means of removing ice where possible are included in the projects.

The Iowa experiments revealed, along with other significant data, that the distance required to stop a motor vehicle on icy pavement can be cut in half by spreading a thin coat of calcium chloride treated sand or cinders over the icy surface. The calcium chloride treatment was found necessary to melt the sand or cinders into the ice, as otherwise the dry materials are easily whisked off the road by traffic and wind.

While skidproofing treatment of icy highways decreases the possibility of accidents, the measure must be looked upon as a means to accident prevention and not a cure. Along this line, a note of caution is sounded by the National Safety Council in stating, "In the final analysis, good, old-fashioned, careful, common sense driving is the best antidote for skidding and accidents on icy roads."

Engineers and highway officials are extending ice control measures as fast and far as possible to reduce the hazards of winter driving but the cause of safety will always depend to a large extent upon the headwork of the individual driver.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Depro of Sikeston visited Mrs. Hester Depro Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ashworth entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mills, daughter, Miss Clara Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Irbie Burch and little daughter and Mrs. Hubert Boyer of Sikeston at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Lumsden entertained with a party Tuesday afternoon for her little on Larry as it was his 7th birth anniversary. An enjoyable time was spent by the little folks after which delightful refreshments were served. Larry received many pretty and useful gifts.

A play, "The New Minister" will be presented in the near future by the members of the community club. Watch for the date. This play promises to be one of the best of the season and one everyone is sure to enjoy.

DISTRICT INSURANCE GATHERING HELD

Southeast Missouri representatives of The Reliable Life Insurance Co. were entertained with a business and social gathering dinner Friday evening at the Palace Cafe. A. P. Veasman of Sikeston, superintendent, presided, and J. S. Gould, assistant secretary, attended from the home office at St. Louis.

Agents present were M. P. Tinder and Charles Watson of Sikeston, B. Painter of Poplar Bluff, M. Graves of Potosi, O. C. Mefford of Cape Girardeau, C. Tally of Chaffee, R. B. Williams of Caruthersville, W. E. Newbill of Kennett, B. R. McCracken and A. W. Endicott of West Plains and C. O. Swannagon of Malden. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gus Martin, Mrs. A. P. Veasman and C. L. Blanton, Sr., of this city.

MOREHOUSE WOMAN DIES FOLLOWING OPERATION

Mrs. Ora Bradshaw, 51, Morehouse widow, died early Friday at Southeast Missouri Hospital, Cape Girardeau. She underwent a gallbladder operation there 10 days before. The day was removed to the Watkins undertaking firm at Dexter pending services and burial.

MISSOURI FARMER GETS 7 YEARS IN SALOON KILLING

Bloomfield, Mo., December 7.—After deliberating seven hours, a verdict finding Glenn Campbell, young farmer, guilty of manslaughter and fixed his punishment at seven years in prison.

Campbell was tried before Judge J. V. Billings for the knife slaying of Alta Swanner, 23, a neighbor, at a tavern near Dudley.

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DEC. 14-15—
"She Married a Cop"
With Jean Parker.
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SATURDAY, DEC. 16—
"OUTPOST OF MOUNTIES"
With Charles Starrett.
Admission 10c and 26c.

Matthews News

Mrs. Martha Lumert of Portageville is here visiting with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Aubrey Lumert and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lumsden and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lumsden were called to Murray, Ky. Thursday on account of the death of their little granddaughter and niece Ann Overby Lumsden. The baby was only a few days old and was the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lumsden.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hawkins went to Essex Saturday where Mr. Hawkins went to consult a physician regarding his health.

Mrs. George Steele of Sikeston visited Mrs. Albert Deane Saturday and Sunday.

Billy Deane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Deane, Jr. is confined to his home this week with the croup.

Mrs. Alfred Byrd entertained about twenty-five little folks with a party Saturday afternoon from two until five complimentary to her little daughter Jane Ellen's fourth birthday anniversary. The afternoon was delightfully spent by the youngsters playing games planned for the occasion. The little lady received many pretty gifts. Dainty refreshments were served.

Joe Spalding returned to Murray, Ky. Sunday to resume his studies at the College there.

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FOR A PARTICULAR PERSON

Every Christmas most of us are confronted with the same old problem—someone on the gift list who has just everything—or seems to anyway. Not that she's fussy. My no! She always appreciates just any little thing you give her. But she's the sort of person you like to give nice things to. Well, sir, here's a grand gift idea for a discriminating person; just take a cooky jar—a big jar with plenty of room in its fat curved sides. Tie this with a spanking red bow and pack to the brim with spicy home-made cookies. Yummy Honey Date Bars, crisp Shaggies covered with a shock of toasted cocoanut, and fat old-fashioned Oatmeal Cookies studded with fruits and nuts. Here now is a good one for a starter—plump bars filled with bits of dates and chopped nuts, and crisped with a coating of crushed rice flakes:

HONEY DATE BARS

Cut into quarters—

1 lb. pitted dates.

Add, mixing thoroughly after each addition—

½ cup chopped nut meats
2 eggs
¾ cup honey
½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
½ cup rice flakes, crushed before measuring.

Spread evenly in greased pan (8"x8"x2") to ¾ inch thickness. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 35 minutes. Cool slightly in pan. Turn out onto rack. When cool enough, cut in bars and roll in powdered sugar.



OLD-FASHIONED FARE

For a stout space filler, make a batch of Oatmeal Cookies—big homey rounds plumped up with nuts and fruity-flavored mince meat. They're sweet and succulent made by this fine old-fashioned rule:

OATMEAL COOKIES

Sift together twice—

1½ cups sifted cake flour
¼ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt.

Cream—

⅓ cup butter.

Add gradually, creaming thoroughly—

¾ cup light brown sugar, firmly packed.

Add, beating until light and fluffy—

1 egg.

Add, blending well—

1 cup oatmeal, uncooked
½ cup chopped nut meats
1 cup mince meat.

Add, all at once, the sifted ingredients. Stir until flour disappears. Drop by tablespoons onto lightly greased cooky sheet. Bake in a moderate oven (375° F.) 12 to 15 minutes. (2½ dozen cookies)

NICE NIBBLING

To add a crisp and crunchy texture to the crock, tuck a few little Shaggies around in the empty spots. Sturdy little cookies season-



ed with a nutty whiff of peanut butter and topped with crunchy toasted cocoanut. You'll like the stout flavor of them made so:

SHAGGIES

Sift together three times—

1¼ cups sifted all-purpose flour
¾ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon baking powder.

Cream together—

½ cup butter or vegetable fat
½ cup peanut butter.

Add gradually, creaming thoroughly—

1 cup brown sugar.

Add—

½ teaspoon salt
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla.

Beat well, then add sifted dry ingredients gradually, mixing well. Chill until firm. Have ready—

Melted bitter or sweet dipping chocolate
Shredded cocoanut
Pecan halves.

Pinch off bits of dough and roll between the palms of the hands into small balls. Place some of balls on lightly greased cooky sheet, then press flat with tines of fork which have been dipped in the melted chocolate. Press other balls down into shredded cocoanut, then place on cooky sheet. Press pecan halves into remaining balls. Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) about 12 minutes. Remove from cooky sheet at once. Cookies are soft at first but become crisp upon cooling. (Makes 6½ dozen cookies)

IDEAS FROM INDIANS

A large scale model of an apartment house now being built in Brooklyn, N. Y., drew its inspiration from one of the world's oldest apartment dwellings. That dwelling, the five-story Pueblo Bonito, was built hundreds of years ago by the Indians in Chaco canyon, New Mexico.

The ancient Indian apartment, actually built more than 1000 years ago, has housed as many as 1200 people. Until some 50 years ago it was the largest building of the type in the world.

No living man can tell from whence the Indians who built that ancient apartment came. Indians, it is known, inhabited this country for centuries before the arrival of Columbus. They had built many different types of buildings before this country ever was thought of by Europeans.

They had villages, towns, trading posts and settlements all over the continent. Besides giving us a continent, the Indians taught us something about how to live in this environment.

Even in our everyday eating, we must acknowledge that cornbread, hominy, roasting ears, potatoes, turkey and cranberries, tapioca pudding, the sweet potatoes, maple syrup and maple sugar, chocolate, tabasco sauce, and many other cherished and almost indispensable dishes which are included in our everyday menu were given to us by the Indians.

Peanuts were raised by these Indians and they taught us the way to plant and cultivate them. We still like peanuts and peanut butter. For chewing gum the Indians ued the undiluted gum of the chickle tree. Some "Yankee" learned how to mix sugar with it, roll it into thin cakes, and make millions of dollars profit.

The Indians taught us how to hunt the buffalo, how to utilize his hide, how to make buckskin from the deer hide, how to use the bark of the cinchona tree in the pulverized form from which start we have evolved the modern quinine so useful in our treatment of certain diseases. The modern chocolate is only a slight improvement over the drink so popular in Montezuma's kingdom. It was made from powdered cocoa beans mixed with certain spices for flavoring.

The Indians also gave us the after-dinner smoke and the art of pipe making.

For centuries we have regarded the Indians as the vanishing race but in the United States we cannot now refer to them as such a race. There are now more than 300,000 Indians living in the United States and they are increasing in numbers faster than the white people. It is estimated that within another century, there will be more Indians in the United States than there were when Columbus discovered America.

The Indian is becoming increasingly more important in our population. Roughly speaking, there are about 200 tribes of Indians in our country, speaking more than fifty distinct tongues and spread over more than twenty states. Approximately half of them are pure bloods, but year after year, more are intermarrying with other races.

About one-third of the Indians in the United States are wards of the government, that is, not permitted to manage their own living and property without official supervision.

In government, Indians were essentially democratic. Chieftains, especially the war chieftains, had considerable power in certain instances but the Indians never held the European notion that "the king can do no wrong." Not long before Columbus came to the new world, the Indians formed a League of Nations (the five Iroquois nations) to abolish intertribal wars.

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On informal cards, signed in ink, the husband's or wife's name should come first, although ordinarily the person signing would put his own name last. In general, the husband's name comes first. These can be signed "Bob and Betty," or "Bob and Betty Bentley," depending on how well the acquaintance knows you.

No card should ever be sent without a Mr., Mrs. or Miss prefix. An unmarried woman is always addressed as "Miss." A married woman, whether her husband is alive or not, is addressed with "Mrs." prefixed to her husband's full name. Since a woman's maiden name is used only on legal papers or when she uses it professionally, a divorcee's maiden name may be used if it's been established by legal procedure.

Cards to a married couple should be addressed Mr. and Mrs., even though you may know only one of them. If it's a business acquaintance and you haven't met the recipient's wife, it's permissible to send the card in his name only. Business addresses are quite all right, though there's a bit more courtesy and more personal touch to find out the home address and send the card there.

A family in mourning may send and receive Christmas cards as usual unless the bereavement is very recent—within the last two or three weeks.

PURCHASES PHILLIPS STATION INTERSECTION

H. L. Mayer of Cairo, Ill., has bought the Phillips 66 service station at the Highway 60-61 intersection from Paul Rankin and will be in charge. Jay Cox will continue as assistant. Mr. Mayer will offer a call and delivery service. He will handle a complete line of Phillips petroleum products, Lee tires, Phillips batteries, and washing and greasing service will be available.

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WHATEVER HAPPENS AMERICA FIRST

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Approximate figures of the economic strength of the nation based on the highest annual output between 1936 and 1938, follow: Population, 130,000,000; merchant vessels—tons, 12,000,000; railways—ton miles 360,000,000,000; registered autos, 30,000,000; crude petroleum—tons, 190,000,000; gasoline—tons, 67,000,000; fuel oil—tons, 73,000,000; coal—tons, 494,000,000; iron ore—tons, 41,100,000; pig iron—tons, 42,000,000; steel—tons, 57,000,000; refined copper—tons, 900,000; refined lead—tons, 467,000; wool—tons, 230,000; butter—tons, 1,500,000; margarine—tons, 200,000; wheat—tons, 28,000,000; rye—tons, 1,500,000; beet sugar—tons, 1,700,000; cane sugar—tons, 500,000.

The above are only the more important items of the economic strength of the United States—there are hundreds of others. What do these figures mean? Their significance is that even though all the rest of the world should be at war, we could get along very nicely here in this country. We could build a giant wall around the Americas and still have and enjoy all of the culture and benefits and conveniences of the marvelous age in which we live. And more important still, even though the civilization of European peoples should be destroyed in present or future wars, a citadel could still be maintained in the New World wherein that civilization might be kept alive.

Salvation Lassies Retain Yule Spirit Of Founder Booth

Christmas will be happier for thousands of homeless people this year because Catherine and William Booth carried the torch of evangelism from their New Connexion church in England in 1861 and started the Salvation Army. Today that torch is being carried by the second Booth to succeed the founder, Gen. Evangeline Booth, who in turn succeeded Bramwell Booth in 1934.



Evangeline Booth

So familiar at Christmas time, the Salvation Army's group singing on street corners and "boiling kettles" for which contributions are solicited, had their beginning in the youthful reformer of 19 who was almost stoned to death preaching in slums and denouncing "rum." Penniless and with four children, the Booths worked tirelessly in London amid taunts of critics, yet old General Booth lived to banter with jovial King Edward.

He also lived to see the Salvation Army become better established in the United States than in England, to see it acquire banks, insurance companies, factories, public houses, farms, hospitals and cadet schools, all the outgrowth of the "expeditionary" force of seven lassies sent here in 1880 under George Scott Railson.

And that has been one of the primary objectives of the past two National Democratic Administrations—to conserve and to organize and to strengthen the human, natural and material resources of this nation so that whatever happen in foreign lands, life may be still full and plentiful and abundant in this free country we call home. That is why America has been virtually rebuilt during the past seven years. That is why our soil and our forests and our mines are being conserved and saved. That is why our standards of living have been elevated. That is why the Roosevelt Administrations have steadfastly adhered to the policy of "America First." And to the perpetuation of such a preparedness policy, the Democracy of the Nation dedicates itself.

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Kiwanis Club Activities

By Bartley Schwegler

Mrs. Helen Reuber sang two solos for the Kiwanis Club at its regular meeting Friday evening at the Marshall Hotel. Eveybody enjoyed her singing.

Next Thursday is charter night for the Doniphan Kiwanis Club. A number from Sikeston expect to attend that night.

Plans for pan cake day are going forward as arrangements have been made for the Marshall Hotel dining room for Saturday, Dec. 16. Pancakes with butter, coffee and cream will be served from morning until night.

Frank Mount reports that the ticket sale is progressing nicely and that approximately three hundred tickets have been sold.

Large number of donations have been made for the pancake day. The Putnam Grocery is giving salt, sugar and baking powder; the Sikeston Grocer Co., coffee; Russ T. Cooey, lard, L. M. Standley, $5 worth of butter, and the Scott County Milling Co. the flour.

Also members of the Kiwanis Club have made personal donations of cash so that other expenses may be cared for without using the regular funds.

The next meeting will be Friday, Dec. 15, at the Marshall Hotel dining room.

GATHERING MISTLETOE

Preparing for the holiday market for mistletoe, hundreds of Missouri men and boys are gathering the treetop plant. Many others are cutting small pines and cedars for use as Christmas trees, and, in the lowlands of Southern Missouri, are collecting holly, but the gatherers of histletoe have the most difficult task.

The mitletoe is one of the world's strangest plants. A parasite, it is found only in the treetops, growing on limbs that may be from 50 to 100 feet from the ground. It is plentiful along rivers and water courses in the Ozark sections. It grows mostly on two species of trees, the sycamore and the black gum, but it is also found occasionally on oaks.

Gathering mistletoe is dangerous work, and only those who are good climbers attempt to get the plants. Men and boys usually work in pairs, one remaining upon the ground while the other climbs the tree and breaks off the mistletoe twigs and lowers them to the ground in baskets or by means of a string. This is necessary to prevent the plants from being broken, because they are brittle and a 50-foot drop would damage them conciderably. Many mistletoe hunters are injured and some killed each year as a result of falls from the treetops. The plants are easily seen after the leaves fall, because they are evergreen, and stand forth vividly in the bare branches; but they are almost impossible to find when the trees are still green.

The mistletoe has been a Christmas symbol for hundreds of years. The ancient Druids of England used it as a holy plant in their mystic rites in the forests, and in practically all of the old-world countries it was regarded as a mystic and sacred plant. It is known by several names, including "witches broom" and "tree thief." This latter is given it on account of its subsistence on the sap of the tree. A few plants in a tree do the tree no harm, but where the infestation is severe, the tree is often killed—in fact, starved to death, as the plants use the tree's sap and vitality for their own benefit.

WARNS OF TULAREMIA FROM WILD RABBITS

With twenty-five deaths reported to date for 1939 from tularemia and with 58 cases for November positively identified by the laboratory of the State Board of Health, a warning has been sent out by the Health Department against this disease.

Tularemia is usually contracted from dressing or eating diseased rabbits. It can be contracted through an abrasion in the skin or the organisms may penetrate the skin itself. The hunter or housewife in cleaning rabbits must also watch against rubbing the eyes, as this also may have serious results. The use of rubber gloves during the cleaning or immediate washing of hands in some antiseptic solution afterwards is the only safe course. Rabbits should be very thoroughly cooked as any red juice remaining about the bones will harbor the germs and be dangerous.

BEAVERS AT HOME IN HOWELL COUNTY

Jefferson City, Dec. 8.—The 5,000 acre Carman Spring Refuge in Howell County in which the U. S. Forest Service and the Missouri Conservation Commission are cooperating in the restoration of deer and wild turkey, now also contains beaver.

Six of the seven beavers planted on the Carman Spring Refuge in Mark Twain National Forest have paired off, and each pair has built a dam on the stream where they were released. The seventh beaver also has built a dam and has been storing food for the winter.

The beaver were obtained by the Conservation Commission and placed on Spring Creek in an effort to impound and regulate the flow of water is this stream where the food supply for fish was being destroyed by the action of shifting gravel in the stream bed. The four dams constructed by the beaver vary from 18 to 30 inches and impound about three-quarters of a mile of the creek.

The beavers seem to prefer willows, dogwood and grapevine as food.

HOW TO LOSE YOUR INVESTED CASH QUICKLY

St. Paul, Minn., December 10.—In case you want to lose your hard-earned cash, George V. Riley, New York City, a hotel management official, has, he says, a quick means to the end: Buy a hotel and run it this way:

Instruct bellhops to look disguested at 25-cent tips.

Let waiters sit with the house guests.

Don't light the hallways; keep the guests guessing.

Never instruct a guest in the use of a Venetian blind.

Let the orchestra play as loudly as possible.

And, by all means, serve hot food in cold dishes.

The above, Riley told a state hotel group, will put you right out of business.

Kiss the Maiden Under Mistletoe— But Follow Rules!

IT'S still a nice custom this Christmas to kiss the young lady under the mistletoe, but your efforts are in vain unless it's done properly.

Every time someone kisses under the mistletoe a berry should be plucked from the branch, for only so many blessings are bestowed as there are berries. And don't let the mistletoe fall to the ground. Otherwise its properties of good luck and healing will be destroyed.

Many a romantic story surrounds this plant. The berries represent tears from this legend:

A Scandinavian god, Balder, dreamed he would die. When he told his mother, the goddess Friga, she made earth fire, air, water and all animals and plants promise they wouldn't harm her son.

But she overlooked the mistletoe, for its roots were neither in the earth nor air. So one of Balder's enemies fashioned an arrow from the plant and that was the end of Balder. The tears of the heartbroken goddess fell thick and fast, and froze into the berries that we find on mistetoe today.

Having such a heathen origin, mistletoe is seldom included in church schemes of decoration. But despite this ban few maids care to risk making the legend come true that "she who is not kissed under the mistletoe at Christmas will not be married in the year which follows."

If you want to be lucky, remember the rules.

ECONOMICAL ROAD WORK DEPENDS ON EQUIPMENT

For proper construction and maintenance of the state road system the Missouri Highway Department owns and has available for use a fleet of cars, trucks, trailers and miscellaneous equipment. The supervision and purchase of this equipment are delegated to the Bureau of Equipment so that it will be at all times in a condition for economical and efficient operation.

The equipment owned and operated by the highway department has grown in proportion to the increased mileage of roads constructed and maintained, until now there are in operation 2022 units, exclusive of state highway patrol cars. This equipment is evenly distributed over the entire state, as the patrol system of maintaining state roads is used, and to properly keep it in repair and to store supplies, work and repair shops are established at all division points over the state.

The State Highway Department now has in service, for proper construction and maintenance of the tate roads a fleet of 301 cars, 222 pickups, 566 trucks, 152 tractors, 338 motor graders, 154 pull graders, and 289 pieces of miscellaneous equipment, allocated to the various sub-departments according to their respective needs and requirements.

Of the trucks assigned to road maintenance many are equipped for the attachment of snow plows and are used in the work of clearing the highways of snow in the winter months. A few rotary snow plows are used in the northern counties of the state where snowfall is heaviest. Light plows, especially designed by the department, are in general use on the system.

The headquarters garage at Jefferson City handles the repair and maintenance of all headquarters cars and special equipment and the major overhaul jobs that cannot be handled efficiently in the ten division garages. Included in the work done at the headquarters garage are the designing and building of special equipment and making and refinishing of roadway signs of all types and charcater.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

PLANNING THE CHRISTMAS CARD



Put the greeting right in the picture—that makes the finest type of Christmas card. And do your cards early this year!

HAVE you planned your photographic Christmas card yet? No true camera fan would consider any other kind — but it's wise to see that they are prepared early, in plenty of time for mailing before December 25.

Any appropriate snapshot can be made into a Christmas card . . . but the best cards are those with a picture especially made for the purpose. For example, a snapshot of the family carrying Christmas tree ornaments, hanging up stockings, or putting a Christmas wreath on the door. Such pictures can, of course, be taken long before Christmas.

The most ingenious pictures include the greeting. Thus, Johnny can be shown writing "Merry Christmas" on his own blackboard . . . or on a frosty windowpane. The baby can be shown building a greeting with his A-B-C blocks. Of course, you build the greeting, then step aside—but that doesn't show in the picture.

Cards can be simple, or quite elaborate. The simplest type is an inexpensive cut-out mat or mask, behind which the snapshot is pasted. In another type, the picture and greeting are printed together on one sheet of photographic paper. You can do this with one of the Christmas card kits sold at camera stores, or any photofinisher can do it for you at modest cost. And—speaking of cost — photographic cards run no higher than ordinary printed or engraved greetings, but far less personal quality.

Now is the time to start on your 1939 cards. Do it early—while you have plenty of time to do it well—and it will be twice the fun.

John van Guilder

CRITICISM MORATORIUM IS PLEA OF MINISTER

"Let us declare a moratorium on criticism," writes Rev. Mark A. Matthews in the Spokane Review. "We are in troublesome times. The President of the United States deserves your sympathy, your prayers and your assistance.

"It is silly, unpatriotic, disloyal and disreputable to criticize the President while he is leading the forces for the stability of the Nation, for the safety of the Nation. He is doing his best to keep this Nation out of war.

"Let us suspend criticism, support the President, defend the Nation, and thus keep our boys out of war. The President is doing his best. He has made honest statements to us. Let us believe him. It is our duty to support him.

"Suspend your criticisms. Support our President. Defend our Nation. Be calm, cool, serene, and remember God is on His throne and the Government at Washington is safe."

'SCARLETT' SELECTED FOR ATLANTA OPENING

Atlanta, Dec. 9.—Atlanta's own "Scarlett O'Hara" has been chosen but her real name will remain secret until she appears at the Junior League Charity Ball scheduled for Dec. 14, as a part of the celebration for the premiere of the motion picture, "Gone With the Wind."

The selection was made today, but the Atlanta Constitution, sponsor of the contest, carefully guarded the identity, and the judges were sworn to secrecy.

On the night of Dec. 14, however, the chosen belle will lead the grand march, wearing the green sprigged mousseline de soie gown which Vivien Leigh wears as "Scarlett" in the "Gone With the Wind" film. The Film premier is set for the following night.

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Caught in the Act!



At Santa Claus, Ind., where they run a school for Santa Clauses, the instructor shows his students how to handle one of Kris Kringle's most important duties. A measuring stick, to make sure there is enough clearance, is one of the requisites.

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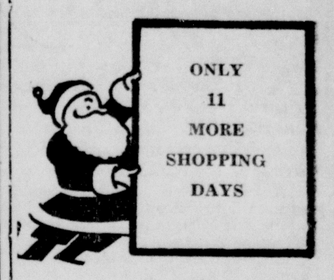
Scolding won't help a boy or girl who is listless, dull or cross from constipation. But, here's something that will!

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Above-Standard Youths Must Have Their Chance

A SCHOOL without any buildings, any name, any endowment and any faculty with the exception of one man is, to the average citizen, a new departure in education. Yet there has been in existence for twenty years, such a school. And it has the proud boast that not one of its graduates has failed in life, no matter in what branch of living he has found his niche.

A weak link in our educational system is the fact that the average student is the one for whom everything is planned. Above standard youngsters are apt to be penalized simply because they are above standard. Many intelligent, high-spirited boys, for example, have been dismissed from schools simply because they lacked an outlet for the qualities of leadership, superabundant energy or other characteristics that go to make up leaders of men.

The school without a name is one man's answer to that problem. Rex Beach tells the story in the January Cosmopolitan of George I. Baldwin, son of a wealthy Wyoming rancher, who gave up an easy life on his father's ranch to become an Episcopalian clergyman and to devote his life to giving boys a chance in life which they might otherwise have missed.



Life a Community Affair



DR. GEORGE I. BALDWIN

It is a conviction of Doctor Baldwin that society needs nothing so much as men of character and integrity who have the ability to influence those among whom they live. His school is a family affair, a partnership with a community fund to which every member contributes according to his ability and from which he draws what he needs. In periods when the going was rough, older boys withdrew from college to aid the Doctor in keeping younger boys there. One of the few requirements for entry in the school, which is now in Philadelphia, is that the boy be too poor to get along without some assistance. Far more candidates have been turned down than have been admitted. The other boys must approve of the new candidate; he must have what it takes to be a leader in his community.

The cow-boy preacher says he isn't much good in a pulpit. But a record of twenty failureless years of breathing life into the Soul of Youth should be as enduring and eloquent as any sermon that any minister could preach.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS FROM PARIS APPEAL

Governor Stark appointed a Chemurgy Board for Missouri last week. And now, dear reader, if you are through laughing, we will explain what chemurgy is. It is the science of converting surplus or waste products of the farm into commercial products. Henry Ford makes a gadget for all his cars out of soybeans. This creates an additional demand for a tremendous amount of that product. Mr. Ford predicts the time will come when practcially all the superstructure of motor cars will be made from things grown on farms. In view of the fact that America grows much more grain than her people can consume, thus creating a surplus which keeps the market depressed, the importance of chemurgy is very apparent. Success to our Chemurgy Board!

Well, he didn't get much out of life. This remark was made last week in connection with the death of a local citizen whose frugality resulted in the accumulation of a very substantial estate. But he lived exactly as he wished to live, had everything he wished to have, and experienced what all people desire but which only one in thousands enjoy, which was contentment. We don't call chasing over the landscape in a car, keeping late hours in mad frolics and wasting money in riotous living, ways to get much out of life. On the contrary, such things bring very little other than headaches and regrets. Habits or activities which bring contentment are what constitute real living. Also they lead away from the poorhouse and from dependence on public or private bounty in old age. The most pathetic and unhappy creature in this world is the individual or family which comes to want after years of frivolous and wasteful living, years in which no thought was given to the future.

By the way, what sort of times would be considered good times by the people of this country? When labor commanded big wages, farm products very high prices, and every other line of human activity would be prosperous beyond the dreams of avarice? The answer of the younger generation would be, yes. The older generation would have to seek another answer, however, when it recalled the unrest, discontent and fury in every class of the American people when unskilled labor received $5 a day, skilled labor $10 to $15 a day; when corn commanded $2 a bushel, wheat $3 a bushel, livestock 15c and 20c a pound or even more; when every man wore $12 shirts and $12 shoes, and when good $1 values sold readily for $5 or more in every store, and every pocketbook bulged with greenbacks. Any farmer of that period will tell you be was mad all the time because he was not getting 25c a pound for 5c stock. Any laborer will tell you he was mad all the time because it was necessary to do a little work for a lot of money. Any merchant will recall that he was unhappy because profits were not ever better and the volume of business even larger. It was the Golden era for only one class of our population, which class was composed of demagogues of the Jim Reed type. They fanned everybody into a fury by telling them they would be getting more except for the Government at Washington. Farmers became so infuriated when Reed told them they could sell their wheat for $5 a bushel instead of the pitiful $3 they were getting that they forced Congress to remove the Government guarantee, whereupon wheat soon fell to 50c. They forced Congress to remove the guaranteed price for hogs, whereupon fat hogs soon sold for a nickle a pound instead of the 20c they had been bringing—and there really was no more dissatisfaction than when their products were higher than a kite. What, then, would make us a contented people if prosperity fails to turn the trick? The answer is, practice of the Golden Rule and the habit of fearing God and keep his commandments.

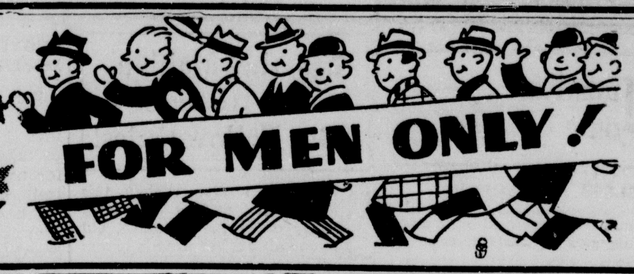
BEAL WINS MENTION IN M. I. A. A. SELECTIONS

Charles Beal, former Sikeston Bulldog gridman, was given the honorable mention center position in the Associated Press All M. I. A. A. selctions. A sophomore at Cape Teachers College, Beal was graduated from the local High School in 1938. Turner of Cape won a guard post on the first team.

STUDENTS' PICTURES TAKEN FOR RECORDS

Students of the High School and grade schools had their pictures taken in wholesale lots three days last week to complete school files of information on them. The photos will be attached to the permanent record cards. Approximately 1350 students were "snapped".

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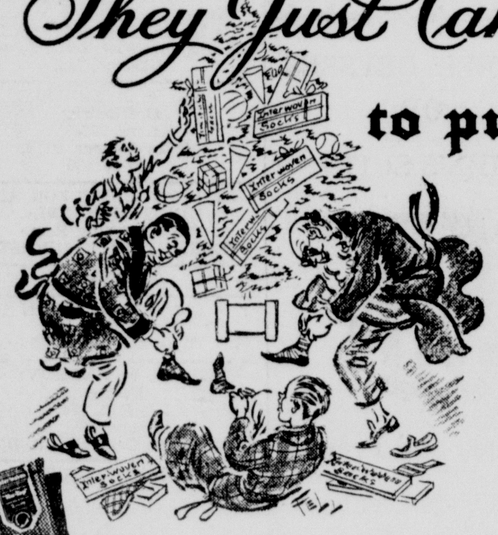
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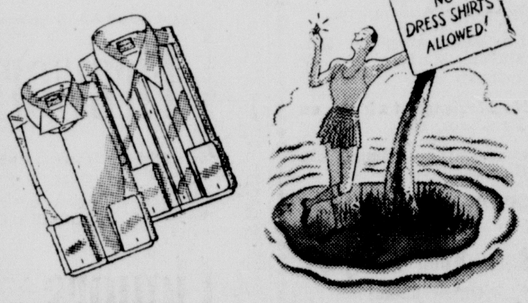


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Hints For Home Owners

FUSELESS PROTECTION

Circuit protection without use of fuses is now available. A new breaker protection offers a convenient way to restore electrical service in case of overload. Moving the handle of the fixture restore service unless there is serious trouble in the line.

Like many other requirs or improvements to the electric wiring system of the home, these new circuit breakers may be installed with funds obtainable from qualified lending institutions under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

DUST HARMS VARNISH JOB

Dust is an enemy to good result in varnishing, so when a job of this kind is undertaken it is well to remember that all materials and tools used should be kept as free form dust as possible.

Paint authorities advise that the rooms be kept dust free and that the brushes be kept clean and varnish cans closed except when in use.

GLASS SHOWERS MODERN

A glass-enclosed shower bath adds a modern note to any bathroom.

Ideal for the "extra bath," the one that does not contain a tub, glass cabinets accomplish much in stamping a home as modern and desirable.

PERIOD HARDWARE

Colonial hardware is finding considerable use in small-home building, as it is well suited for use on Colonial and Cape Cod type homes.

Authentic copies of true Colonial patterns are now being made by modern machinery and sold in competitive price ranges. Existing homes may be outfitted with Colonial hardware under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

DISAPPEARING STAIRWAY

Waste attic space may be eliminated by installing disappearing stairway and making access easier. Strong, rigid, and nonfolding, they are easily installed in either old or new buildings.

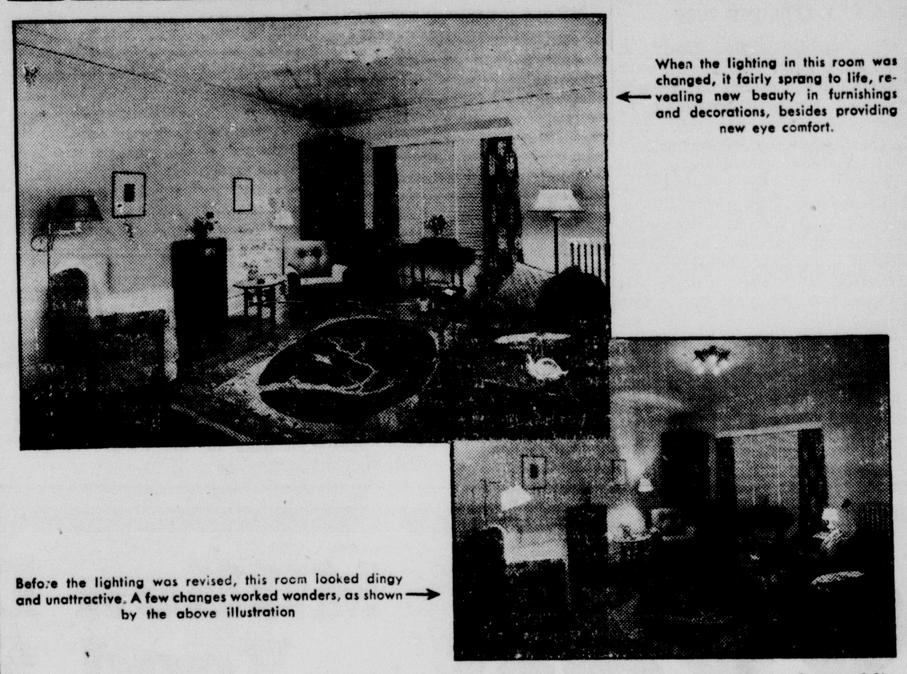
When not in use the stairway rests on the attic floor and thus does not take up valuable space in the room below.

IRON RAILINGS

Simple iron railing may be effectively used on both the exterior and interior of the home, but they find their widest service as a stairway and porch guard. Attractive designs are available for those who wish to add a decorative touch to the front-porch railing.

PLANNING NEW PLUMBING?
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Modernized Lighting Transforms This Re-Decorated Living Room



When the lighting in this room was changed, it fairly sprang to life, revealing new beauty in furnishings and decorations, besides providing new eye comfort.

Before the lighting was revised, this room looked dingy and unattractive. A few changes worked wonders, as shown by the above illustration

By Jean Prentice

WHEN YOU RE-DECORATE a room, do you remember to study the lighting? Here is one branch of interior designing often overlooked.

The new draperies that looked so lovely in the store may go "mousey" and dull on us under our night-time lighting. The rugs that have rich tones by day may be clouded with shadows by night.

Three girls found this to be true when they redecorated their apartment . . . but forgot the lighting. When they added new lighting the room sprang to new life.

One of the first things the girls did was to improve the appearance of the ceiling fixture. They transformed its glaring light from small bulbs into soft, well distributed illumination from larger 60-watt silvered bowl bulbs and small shades clipped onto them. Both the shades and the silvered bowl bulbs now direct the light upward toward the ceiling, to be reflected back into the room as smooth indirect lighting.

The next problem the girls took up was the modernization of their reading lamps. They improved the one at the left by installing an inner diffusing bowl beneath the shade, and changing the light from glaring direct to soft semi-indirect. These inexpensive inner bowls may be purchased for many older types of lamps. In the bowl the girls placed a 100-watt bulb. The final climax was a larger shade to give a better spread of light at this location.

Another method of remodeling was used by the girls for the center bridge lamp. A 100-watt silvered bowl bulb was screwed into the socket together with a little round reflector plate, placed in the top of the shade. The silvered end of the bulb prevented direct glare, and the reflector plate sent the light back to the chair. Note how harsh shadows have now been eliminated.

Sometimes a new lamp, however, is the only solution. This was true at the davenport where the old lamp was much too short and small for this location. And so a new lamp, built over the specifications of the Illuminating Engineering Society, was purchased. Its inner bowl and 3-light bulb afford flexible lighting for the davenport. Note, too, how it balances with the other lamps now.

★ FASHION PREVIEW ★



That awkward age of twelve is circumvented in a December Good Housekeeping picture by a party frock with a wide, rayon-net skirt, little black rayon-velvet bodice and low-heeled patent leather slippers.

Good Building, Protection To Spur Industry

The Federal Housing Administration, through its varied operations, encourages the production of well-built, well-protected houses in order to promote revival of home building and maintenance of building volume.

Among the many factors which contribute to a substantial volume of home building, FHA officials cite confidence on the part of the buying public in the product they receive as perhaps the most important. Such confidence cannot be produced through investment in dwellings which deteriorate rapidly.

Through requiring that at least a minimum of protection is given the buying public in the homes it purchases, the Federal Housing Administration operations tend to create and maintain confidence.

Double Action Kitchen Doors Are Desirable

Double action doors between kitchen, butler's pantry, and dining room are being included in the plans of many new home. Older homes may benefit from the same convenience, however, as regular doors may be replaced with those of double action, with the financing arranged under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

Double acting door closer can now be obtained which are concealed in the woodwork over the door. Hold-open features are regarded as standard in most fixtures of this kind. Simple to install and adjust, the mechanism is entirely out of sight and no cutting of the floor is said to be necessary.

Where double action doors are installed under the Modernization Credit Plan, the funds are obtained from private lending institutions qualified by FHA.

Hitler's Toys Outsold By Chamberlain Dolls



Neville Chamberlain-with-an-umbrella, the "appeasement" prime minister who claims to have kept Europe out of war last year, has become such a popular toy with British youngsters that the German toymakers, whose peace he "preserved," are griping. The Reich's doll manufacturers claim their exports to London have collapsed because Mr. Chamberlain-with-an-umbrella is the No. 1 favorite toy on the British isles. Many other "men of destiny" have been made into dolls this year.

MAN VS. FLEA

IT has required the resources of science to give man the stature of the flea. The most powerful creatures in the world in proportion to their size, trained fleas in flea circuses can pull tiny carts 700 times their own weight. Now tapered roller bearings reduce starting resistance of railroad cars so much that a man can pull a 114,000 pound car—approximately 700 times his weight.

HOUSING NEED CHALLENGE TO U. S., INDUSTRY

The great need for vast housing construction to meet the present and future demand for shelter in this country is a challenge to the ingenuity of both Government and private enterprise, according to officials of a large New York banking firm.

"Given approximately favorable conditions," the bank statement declared, "construction financed by private endeavor may provide a substantial stimulus to industry."

Modernization Helps Improve Home Livability

Almost each day manufacturers' folders appear announcing the production of new materials, new gadgets, or new ideas which will improve the home by their contribution to convenience.

While some of these new devices or methods may fail to justify their expense, many are worthwhile features which do much to modernize the home. Among those seeming practical, which may be installed under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration, are those which follow.

STEEL CELLAR DOORS

Steel cellar bulkheads may solve the problem of outside basement doors if wooden doors rot away.

Glass bricks may be substituted for actual bricks above ground in a basement wall to provide additional light for very dark cellars.

Ash drops in fireplaces are being manufactured now ready for installation. By means of these it is unnecessary to take ashes out of the fireplace and carry them through the house for disposal.

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Tiling for decorating the rim of fireplace openings is now available in stock sizes.

Double windows are now being made for areas where Winters are severe. The air pockets between the panes illustrate a sound insulation principle. The double windows fit into regular window-sash frames and open with them.

Reproductions of old hand-rived shingles are being made of fireproof asbestos but possessing the texture of wood.

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Sinkey Stops Welch; Pacer Whips Bolt

Charles Sinkey, vain peacock of the squeeze industry, had plenty of opportunity to strut Friday night at the armory, subduing Joe Welch of Oklahoma in the first and third. Lefty Pacer, the Chicago flash, laid out Benny Bolt in a grudge battle.

It took 23 minutes in the first meeting for Sinkey to turn back Welch, using body kicks and a double jackknife. Welch after 10 minutes tied up the Mississippian with a Jimmy Londos toe hold, but Sinkey became master of the occasion in the third with a Japanese leg lock, in 8 minutes.

As usual, there was slugging, choking, kicking. Welch once biffed Sinkey out of the ring.

For some reason, Pacer and the Sioux had some personal feelings to adjust. adjustment came in form of roughstuff unexcelled. Bulldog Mallory, who refereed both matches, gave the first fall to Pacer when the Indian fouled repeatedly. Benny compromised Pacer in the second with a crab hold, in 8 minutes, and the playoff went to Pacer after 10 minutes with a body pin.

Welch pinch-hitted against Sinkey for Tiger Moore, who Mike Meroney said ran out of a match at Blytheville and was further barred from the circuit.

YOUR NEWSPAPER

Printing a newspaper costs money.

Every column inch in a newspape is expensive. Paper, ink, setting of the type, the labor involved, the most of machinery and power, taxes, depreciation, pictures, news services, postage and delivery cost are among the items of expense that go into the making of a newspaper.

There are a great many people who do not realize that it costs money, and lots of it, to publish a newspaper. However, the chairman of the publicity committee of the recent convention of Kiwanis International, held in Boston, is better informed and he expressed that knowledge when he delivered an address before that convention.

"The most unsuccessful newspaper in the United States," said he, "does more for the support of its community than the finest community ever does for the support of its newspaper. The newspaper reflects all community life, religious, educational and civic. Therefore the average citizen is indebted to his newspaper which constantly brings to him the news of local, state, national, and international affairs. Every civic, religious and educational group in a city is in the habit of coming to the newspaper publisher asking him to give away free the one commodity he has for sale. This is space! We would ask no other form of business in our community to give away free that which gives a livelihood. We would not go into a bakery and ask the baker to give us a loaf of bread. Yet the newspaper owner is asked to give away the space he has to sell perhaps not recalling that this commodity costs money to produce."

Still, every newspaper expects to give away space, and plenty of it. A newspaper would not be worthy of a place in a community if it did not give space freely to every worthy undertaking.

The Enterprise, like other newspapers, is ready and willing to do its full part for every community activity. This service is given as a matter of course. Some people appreciate what is given, others do not. However, a good newspaper does not give its service to its community simply to be thanked.

Waffles Your Family Will Like

By Katharine Fisher

Director, Good Housekeeping Institute

The crisp crunchiness of golden-brown waffles is an epicurean delight the year round, but the gourmet rejoices most when, on a cold winter evening, he sniffs the delectable aroma rising from the waffle iron as the foamy batter is transformed into perfect waffles. When one of these toothsome delights is placed before him, with the butter melting, the syrup forming clear, sparkling pools in the depressions of its surface, he is aware that life is good.

In many homes the waffle iron languishes on the top shelf of the pantry or kitchen cupboard, forgotten and unused. It may be to blame, if it was a poor iron to begin with. But it may be unjustly condemned because its owner did not learn the secret of making perfect waffles. Perhaps her recipe was to blame, and produced unappetizing affairs, half done and soggy, or overdone to a leather-like consistency. Perhaps she didn't give the grids the care a waffle iron needs. Whatever the reason, her family is deprived of a delicious concoction that really is easy to make and a delight to serve.



KATHARINE FISHER
Director of Good Housekeeping Institute

There are just three secrets to be learned and remembered about waffles. Start with a good waffle iron to begin with, follow a good recipe, and take good care of the iron. So jot them down in your memory book now.

How can you tell whether a waffle iron is a good one? A good waffle iron should brown waffles evenly and cook them so that they are thoroughly done—light as the proverbial feather, and crisp. It should be easy to operate, and durably constructed. Waffle irons we have approved have the virtues you should expect, since our engineers and home economists have found out whether they are all that good waffle irons should be.

If you are sure that your waffle iron is a good one, even though it produces unsatisfactory waffles, turn to a new recipe. Here is a recipe we have thoroughly tested and tasted in our Institute kitchens, and know it makes delicious waffles with an electric waffle iron.

WAFFLES

(Tested by Good Housekeeping Institute)

Use Institute-approved Measuring Cups and Spoons. Measure level.

2 c. sifted cake or pastry flour
3 tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
2 eggs
1¼ c. bottled milk or 10 tbsp. evaporated milk and 10 tbsp. water
6 tbsp. melted shortening

Sift together the dry ingredients. Separate the eggs and beat the egg yolks until light. Add with the milk and melted shortening to the dry ingredients. Beat the egg whites stiff and fold them into the waffle batter. Bake on an electric waffle iron, following the manufacturer's directions for operating the iron. Makes 6 to 8 waffles. In using an electric beater, beat the eggs 1 min. using high speed; add the milk, and beat for about 1 min. longer at high speed. Add the sifted dry ingredients to this mixture, and beat for a minute longer at high speed. Add the melted shortening and beat for 15 seconds at high speed, or until the mixture is thoroughly blended.

One reason that waffles stick is that the recipe does not include enough shortening. If you follow this recipe you will be delighted with the texture of the waffles, and if the iron is cared for properly, the waffles will not stick to the grids.

Now for the proper care of your waffle iron: First, read carefully the directions which came with it and follow them exactly, especially if your waffle iron is of the automatic or semi-automatic type, so that you can take full advantage of its special features.

Next, if your iron is a new one, season the grids before using it. This will prevent waffles from sticking. To season, brush the grids thoroughly with an unsalted melted fat such as shortening or olive oil. Do this when the waffle iron is cold. Then heat the iron to baking temperature, and allow it to cool. When you want to make waffles, heat the iron to baking temperature, pour on your batter and allow it to bake. When the first waffle is done, discard it, as it will be very greasy. After that, waffles will not stick if you use a recipe which contains shortening. After the grids are seasoned, do not wash them. If particles of waffle do stick to the grids, brush them off with a wire brush of the kind which is used to clean other utensils.

The outside of your waffle iron will need little care, if it is a modern one. Usually rubbing with a soft dry cloth will remove finger marks and smudges. If batter runs out, leave it until the heat on the outside of the iron sets it. Then remove it, and clean the surface with a damp cloth. Sometimes tiny brown spots appear on the outside. These can be removed by using a small amount of fine scouring powder with a soft damp cloth.

Never immerse your waffle iron in water. It will ruin it.

When you store your waffle iron, see that there are no sharp kinks, bends or knots in the connecting cord. Do not let the cord come into contact with the hot iron. If the outside of the connecting cord begins to show wear, discard it and replace it with a new one of the correct type for waffle irons, and bearing the label of the Underwriters' Laboratories.

WPA JUNKS RULE ON RESETTING OF FENCES

Springfield, Mo., December 9.—Rescinding of a WPA rule prohibiting the resetting of fences by WPA road crews today drew sighs of relief from District WPA Director John McCann and Judges of the Greene County Court.

McCann said the ruling, made last spring, had caused "more protests than almost anything else that's been done." The County Judges, who have seen their road program hampered because farmers refused to donate right-of-way if they had to reset their own fences, echoed his sentiments.

The new ruling on the question, McCann said, provides that WPA workers may reset fences on road projects as long as the moving of a fence is incidental to road construction and is for the protection of the public from traffic hazards.

It is part of a newspaper's job.—Valdosta, Ga., Times.

SISTER OF LATE MRS. E. J. MALONE DIES

Mrs. John Davis died Sunday in New York City, exactly a year after the death of her sister here, Mrs. E. J. Malone, according to word received by relatives. She was well-known in Sikeston and lived here about three years several years ago. She was born in Carbondale, Ill. She leaves three sons, John Davis of Belleville, New Jersey; Paul Davis of Collinsville, Ill., and Charles Davis of Kentucky; a brother, Charles G. Bridges of Washington, D. C. The body is being shipped to East St. Louis, Ill., for funeral services and burial.

A goldfish, after having been frozen 552 times and revived each time, appeared none the worse for the experience.

★ BAZAAR PREVIEW ★



GEARED for country-clubbing: a white checked wool coat with four slit pockets and lots of back-flare, plus a Buick "51," as highlighted in Harper's Bazaar for November. Beige skirt and deep red turtle-neck sweater complete the ensemble.

Severe cold during winter months is very essential to many flowers of the north temperate zone.

FOR A JAB IN THE RIBS

"What did your wife say when you came home tight last night?"

"Nothing, and I was going to have those front teeth pulled anyhow."

At the breakfast table one morning, I was reading in the paper where a couple in Colorado were buried in a snowdrift for eighteen hours, and I said to the waitress: "How would you like to be buried eighteen hours in a snowdrift with your sweetie?"

And all she said was: "Say, if me and my sweetie was buried in a snowdrift, we'd be swimming in twenty minutes."

Larry: "Do you know, honey, if I had it all to do over again, who I'd marry?"

Wifey: "No, who?"

Larry: "You".

Wifey: "Oh, no, you wouldn't."

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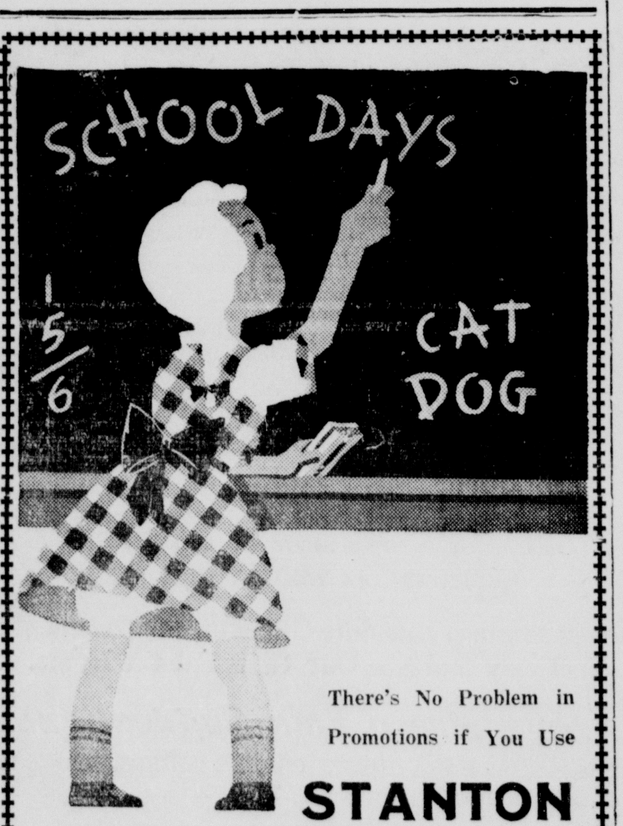
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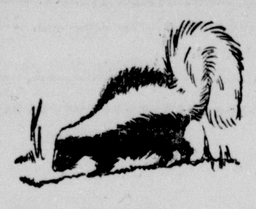
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The P. C. Editor Says:

A signal honor has been bestowed on our brother, H. J. Blanton editor of the Paris Appeal, by being made an alumnus of the Missouri University at a banquet at Hannibal Thursday, December 7. The honor was conferred by Baxter Bond, association president, who cited the recipient as an editor and curator. Jack is the only curator of the University that has ever been who was not a college graduate, and is the only curator to ever hold the position for twenty years under four state administrations. We are doubly proud of this brother of ours.

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Miss Blair Law, our efficient, pleasant and accommodating librarian, is leaving this Friday for Iowa City, Iowa, to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother. In the absence of Miss Law Mrs. Katie Cook will be at the desk assisted by the young girls assigned to that duty. Miss Law expects to be back at her post January 1, 1940.

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The attention of The Standard readers is especially called to the advertisements carried in this paper. Those who wish your patronage are asking for it through their advertisements and as this is Santa Claus season splendid bargains are being offered. Besides the managers and clerks are there to show their wares and make the sales.

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Government from the top down or from the bottom up—that is the choice which will confront the electorate next year. The Democratic Party favors Government from the bottom up. Help the masses first—the rich and powerful can help themselves.

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A gripe has been turned in to The Standard about the infernal noise made by sirens on the fire truck and on firemen's cars in going to a fire. This was a complaint of Sunday morning when an alarm was turned at 5:00 from a negro shack, and the noise awoke all honest folks who were sleeping sweetly. No traffic at this hour and why the noise?

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The Grand Ball and Cotillion to be given by the Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Sikeston Armory the evening of December 26 will be the outstanding social event of the season in Southeast Missouri. The finest dance orchestra in the United States has been engaged, the best dance floor between St. Louis and Memphis is right here in Sikeston and young folks and old folks for miles around will be in attendance. Tables and refreshments a plenty can be had and with the handsome ladies all dolled up in their evening gowns will make the evening one long to be remembered. Get your ticket early and have your table reserved.

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The Standard's Christmas Greeting edition will be published and distributed Christmas Eve, December 24, so get your copy ready and hand it in early. There is not a business firm of any sort that should not be sufficiently grateful for past patronage to acknowledge same through the columns of The Standard.

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The conciliation Service of the U. S. Labor Department has prevented 90 per cent of the disputes that came before it in the 1939 fiscal year from becoming strikes —4,750,000 man days of work being saved. Is't that a fine and worthwhile governmental service?

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Reports from St. Louis states that shoplifting is under way to stock Santa Claus. Not to be behind the metropolis we might add that shoplifting of things for Santa Claus' pack is being practiced here in Sikeston. This should be discouraged by the lifter serving a term in jail instead of merchants refusing to prosecute.

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The Spring weather here in winter time is pretty hard on merchants with winter wear on hand. However, there is plenty of time for long drawers weather.

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Oil Drilling to Start Near Commerce

Cape Girardeau Company Ready To Begin Operations on H. W. Dodge Farm; Nearby Hill Land Leased

They're going to drill for oil at Commerce!

The Diamond Oil Co. of Cape Girardeau, promoters of the venture, installed a portable drill on the H. W. Dodge farm at the edge of Commerce the latter part of last week and drilling is expected to begin immediately.

The company has leased about a thousand acres of land surrounding and including the Dodge tract, Mr. Dodge said.

Drilling will take place first in a field of the flat delta land at the edge of the hill chain that extends from Commerce northward.

LEASE HILL LAND

Leases mostly cover land lying in the hills, the farmer said.

The Dodge homestead lies at the west edge of Commerce, on the Benton-Commerce road.

The drill is capable of going 4000 feet deep, but the promoters are confident oil will be reached long before this depth, he said.

The drill is the type that uses a tractor engine for power.

Although considerable talk about searching for oil in the neighborhood of Benton and Commerce has been going on for several months, this is the first actual move to go down into Mother Earth after it.

Mr. Dodge, whose farm has been in the family nearly 60 years, himself is elated over prospects.

OIL INDICATIONS

While geologists cannot say positively where oil can be found, they can tell from rock formations where it cannot be located. The rock strata of this group of hills, known as the Benton Hills, is the type that has been found in oil-bearing localities, H. S. McQueen of Rolla, assistant state geologist, said here two years ago. The rock which forms these hills slopes downward to the south at Benton below the surrounding ground surface until, at Sikeston, it is 400 feet down. This rock familiar to oil depoits is not found in the Ozarks around Poplar Bluff and westward, he declared at that time.

William Crumpecker of Morehouse and a promoter had gathered a series of leases several months ago to drill on land east of Benton, but as far as could be learned operations have not been started yet.

Katherine Simpson Weds Cape Grid Star

The marriage of Miss Katherine Simpson of Sikeston, to John Crabtree, football star at the Cape Girardeau Teachers College the past season, which took place Sept. 3 at Corning, Ark., was revealed by the couple the past week. Rev. J. S. Compere performed the ceremony.

Miss Simpson, a junior in the college, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson of this city. She was graduated from Central High School at Cape Girardeau, attended Louisiana State University two years and was a student for two terms at the Cape College.

Mr. Crabstree left school at the close of the fall term to become associated with Mr. Simpson, who operates the Sinclair Oil Co. built plant here. Tentative plans of the couple are to reside here after Mrs. Crabtree completes her school work at Cape Girardeau.

Candidates for Carnival Queen

Girls representing classes in the High School building were chosen Friday morning to be candidates for queen of the "Junior Carnival", to be held next Friday night at the gymnasium. Juniors raise proceeds from the event to cover the expense of entertaining seniors and for other functions. Representatives are: Senior, Nell Hart; junior, Betty Jane Taylor; sophomore, Mary Emma Allen; freshman, Evelyn Klein; seventh and eighth grades combined, Jean Jackson.

Large Barn on Nick Darter Farm Destroyed by Fire

A large barn on the Nick Darter farm, 2½ miles west of Highway 61 on the Tanner Road, was destroyed by fire about midnight Friday. When discovered the blaze had gained too much headway to be checked.

The structure, belonging to the C. D. Matthews, Jr., estate, contained a quantity of grain and hay, and farm equipment, including a tractor, plows and wagons, all of which was destroyed.

C. D. Matthews III estimated the loss on the structure at $1200 to $1500, which was insured. The contests belonged to Mr. Darter.

Lose Jewelry To Burglar

Kendall Sikes Home Entered During Early Part of Evening

The "Twilight Thief", who has taken to prowling in North End homes during the early evening hours when occupants are away, broke into the Kendall Sikes residence, 601 North Kingshighway, and stole watches and other jewelry valued at $60.

The burglar punched holes in a bedroom screen, unhooked it and entered through an unlocked window. Mr. and Mrs. Sikes, returned at 9 p. m. from Cape Girardeau, found the house ransacked, dresser drawers pulled out and contents scattered about.

Three watches were the main loot. One was a ladies' Elgin jeweled wrist watch, and the others men's pocket watches, a seven-jeweled, octagon-shaped nickel-silver Waltham, and a 17 or 21-jeweled gold Waltham. The thief also got four or five dress pins, one of which had a chipped diamond center and was outlined with pearls; two bracelets, a fountain pen and an eversharp pencil. The jewelry was taken from two dresser drawers.

The intruder got into a refrigerator and drank a bottle of milk. A case of a movie camera was opened but the camera was not taken.

City Police and the State Patrol were called.

A week before, a thief entered the dwellings of Billy Keith and Dellar Mott, four blocks to the north on Kingshighway, while the occupants were away during the fore part of the night, and stole a small amount of change from the Mott house.

P.-T. A Talk on Young People

Social relations among young people was the theme of a talk by Miss Isabell Hess, home economics teacher of the High School, before the monthly meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association Thursday afternoon at the High School auditorium.

Miss Hess had circulated a questionnaire among pupils and obtaining interesting observations and opinions of the young people on dates and dating, and what they felt was the ideal age for girls and boys to marry.

A group of pupils under Miss Helen Campbell sang Christmas songs. Miss Adilda McCord had charge of the program.

The next meeting will be Jan. 4, at the South Grade School, and Mrs. Della Poe will be in charge of the meeting topic, "Health".

Weather Not Suitable For Santa's Sleigh

If the weather holds on for another 20 days it will be "sure 'nuf" June in January.

While tradition holds that Santa Claus is getting his sleigh ready for a reindeer journey from the North Pole, when he gets into these parts he will have to take to an airplane, automobile or bicycle —unless the mercury takes a sudden dip.

Recordings by Harry Young, government observer, show that since last Wednesday the daytime high has been in the 60s or better, the peak being Friday, when the thermometer soared to 72 degrees, almost shirtsleeves weather.

Only one time, though, during the early morning hours Sunday, has the low stayed above freezing. This point was 34 degrees, Monday afternoon, due to a colder snap, the high was 59.

Unusual weather has been experienced the past week throughout the United States. Pansies bloomed in South Dakota. The West Coast Sunday reported a heavy rain and snow which brought the first real winter to that sector.

Mr. Young's recordings are for the 24 hours prior to 7 a. m. of the day listed, so that the high is for the previous afternoon and the low for early morning of the date given. Recent temperatures:

	High	Low
Dec. 3	45	39
Dec. 4	45	23
Dec. 5	52	22
Dec. 6	60	32
Dec. 7	68	32
Dec. 8	67	32
Dec. 9	72	28
Dec. 10	69	34
Dec. 11	70	29
Dec. 12	56	—

Adds Trooper To Sikeston

H. F. Wickham Comes From Jackson, Making Force of Four Here

Trooper H. F. Wickham, who has been stationed at Jackson since he joined the State Patrol in 1937, has been transferred to Sikeston, going on duty here Friday.

Transfer of Trooper Wickham to Sikeston brings the local force of patrolmen to four. Sgt. Melvin Dace and Troopers John Tandy and V. P. Boisaubin have been the three located here regularly in the past.

Addition of a patrolman here was made possible when 10 of the 51 recruits to the State Patrol force were assigned to Troop E. Dexter, Kennett, Hayti and Fredericktown, each of which had but one trooper in the past, received an extra patrolman. Jackson is now without a trooper, but Cape Girardeau's staff was increased from two to four. The remaining recruits went to Poplar Bluff and Willow Springs.

New motor equipment has been ordered by the Patrol and is expected momentarily.

Trooper Wickham was a member of the Cape Girardeau police force before joining the Patrol. He expects to bring his wife and young son to Sikeston as soon as he can occupy a residence at Sikes and Hunter streets.

Car Stolen in Business District

Clark Madison, who lives at the east edge of town, reported to the State that his 1934 Ford coach was stolen Saturday night downtown. He said the key had been left in the car.

NOVEL PROGRAM FOR WOMAN'S CLUB

At the regular meeting of the Woman's Club to be held on Tuesday afternoon, December 12, at the Library Auditorium, a novel program on "Bells" is to be presented, with five club members taking part, and Miss Camille O'Connor providing a vocal number, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day." Members taking part in the Bell symposium will be Mrs. Robert Mow, Mrs. C. C. Scott, Mrs. C. E. Felker, Mrs. L. E. Ford and Mrs. Frank Schulte.

Hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. C. T. Old, Mrs. B. V. Forrester and Mrs. Calvin Greer.

40 & 8 Voiture To Hold Banquet

A general good-will banquet of the Southeast Missouri Voiture No. 460, 40 & 8, will be held at the Marshall Hotel this Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, according to C. L. Malone. At this time members will decide when to hold their "wreck", annual initiation of newly elected officers, which will take place at the armory.

R. V. Tackabury of Poplar Bluff, correspondent, has promised to bring a noted "firemen's quartet" of St. Louis to the gathering this week. Fleta Jo Wiedemann and Lois Ellis will give dances.

Changes Car Tag Agency

State Department Names H. Mattingly Deputy Commissioner

Herman "Humpy" Mattingly, proprietor of the Sinclair Oil Co. service station at Kingshighway and Center, has been notified by V. H. Seward, state commissioner of motor vehicles at Jefferson City, that he has been named deputy vehicle commissioner for this district.

Mr. Mattingly will have the agency for automobile, truck and trailer licenses, and operator, chauffeur and driver's permits.

Mr. Mattingly succeeds O. M. Arthur, who has been commissioner here for the past several years.

J. A. Farthing, an auditor in the state department, was expected here Monday to check in the agency to Mr. Mattingly.

The new deputy said he probably would begin business with the sale of the 1940 state vehicle license plates on Dec. 18.

Indications from the state office are that the Sikeston branch will sell automobile plates in a series beginning with 144-000, he said.

The Sikeston office serves a large Southeast Missouri territory. Nearest other agencies are at Cape Girardeau, Popular Bluff and Caruthersville.

To Set First Date Of Boxing Monday

Date of the first pre-tourney matches in Sikeston will be set this Monday evening, after the customary semi-weekly training period, C. D. Matthews III, chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Golden Gloves committee, announced Monday. The bouts will be in a week or two.

Mr. Matthews said he would confer with Lynn Twitty, Kewanee coach who is training fighters Monday and Thursday nights at the armory, on the dates and the local boxers to be entered. Men training here most likely will meet a group of fighters who have been training at Cape Girardeau, he said.

Open Cafe on Center Street

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Smith Sunday opened Smith's Cafe in the Young Building opposite the City Hall, on Center Street. It is a large cafe and has very modern fixtures. Tables and chairs, and counter stools, have the chromium rod supports and cushioning is in brilliant colors. At the front is a lounge suite for customers. A roomy, spic-and-span kitchen contains the latest equipment.

Besides the operators, there are five persons employed. Waitresses are Edith Coffer, Elsie Freed and Edith Keithly. Employed in the kitchen are Mrs. Mary L. Klingel, and the colored dishwasher, Oscar Summers.

BOY OPERATED ON

Frankie Marshall, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marshall, Sr., of Morehouse, was taken Sunday in the Albritton ambulance to Lucy Lee Hospital, Poplar Bluff, for an appendix operation.

County Votes 28-1 Favoring Cotton Quota

Scott Farmers Ballot 368-13; New Madrid Growers Favor Heavily

Scott County growers favored the cotton marketing quota with its penalty tax, voting along with other farmers of the nation Saturday, by a margin of 28-1, compared with the national margin of 10-1.

The official count at the county agent's office at Benton Monday showed 368 in favor, 13 against and 40 challenged votes. In addition there were 24 unopened and two spoiled ballots.

Richland Township, with farmers voting at Sikeston, polled the heaviest of seven townships, 124 votes. Of these, 96 were in favor, five against and 23 were challenged.

Kelso Township, with only two cotton growers, voted with Moreland. The township figures:

	Yes	No	Ch.
Commerce	25	0	0
Moreland	35	0	12
Morley	99	3	0
Richland	96	5	23
Sandywoods	40	4	0
Sylvania	28	1	4
Tywappity	45	0	1
Totals	368	13	40

NEW MADRID COUNTY VOTES 92 PER CENT

In voting 1384 to 113, New Madrid County favored the marketing limit by 92 per cent, 2 per cent above the nation as a whole. There were 1621 votes cast, of which 124 were challenged.

Vote by New Madrid townships:

	Yes	No	Ch.
Anderson	154	16	44
Big Prairie	177	5	0
Como	211	28	11
Hough	11	0	0
LaFont	132	11	1
Le Sieur	49	2	6
Lewis	135	19	0
New Madrid	209	3	48
Portage	152	18	0
St. John	47	3	0
West	107	9	14
Totals	1384	113	124

NATIONAL VOTE

Nineteen Southern and Far Western states returned a vote in favor of the quota by a 10-1 margin. The 803,059 for the 79,928 against was 90 per cent favorable, compared with 66.7 per cent necessary under the crop control law and the 84 per cent marked up in a similar referendum a year ago.

STATE GOES 11-1

Farmers in 13 cotton counties of Missouri voted 11 to 1 in favor of the quota. With only one township missing, the count stood 6437 to 593, and 534 votes were challenged.

Votes were challenged by township election officials whenever they believed the voters were not residents of the community, did not have valid forms, were voting from more than one farm or were not eligible cotton growers from last season. Each voter was allowed only one ballot, even though he owned more than one farm.

Results for the against, and votes challenged, are:

VOTE BY COUNTIES

	Yes	No.	Ch.
New Madrid	1,384	113	124
Dunklin	1,239	120	318
Mississippi	1,003	31	29
*Pemiscot	1,267	88	0
Stoddard	537	101	61
Scott	348	13	0
Butler	390	90	0
Ozark	15	1	0
Oregon	80	0	0
Bollinger	2	0	0
Cape Girardeau	2	0	0
Carter	2	0	0
Ripley	168	36	2
Totals	6,437	593	534

*One township missing.

BACK FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Virgil King was taken in the Ellise ambulance Saturday to her home in Miner Switch from St. Francis Hospital.

Landowners Would Cut Labor Problem

Larger Holders Seek Ways to Solve Surplus Before Mid-Winter Brings On Crisis of Stranded Families

A concerted effort to meet the mid-winter farm labor situation before it arrives was manifest in a meeting Thursday evening at the Library, when approximately 35 large landowners from Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid and Stoddard counties held an informal discussion on methods of reducing the shift of tenant and sharecropper families.

E. P. Coleman, Jr., Sikeston ginner and landowner, who presided, said no definite plans had been made, and the landholders were asked to solve problems on their own farms as much as possible to prevent, as far as possible, any families from being left without homes and farm plots to work.

FEDERAL HELP NEEDED

Due to the heavy over-supply of tenant and sharecropper families, the landowners did not expect to solve the problem, with its big variety of causes, and have all families located on farms. They believe it will be necessary for the government take a hand.

If the bulk of the farm labor can be taken care of during the annual mid-winter exchange of help, the landowners believe, the main source of agitation, such as created the world-famed highway camping episode last winter in Southeast Missouri, will be obviated.

Describing present conditions, Mr. Coleman said there were simply "more people than homes and land available for them to work."

LAND BUYING PROBLEM

A large part of the situation arises over the purchase of land by outsiders, especially by Arkansas landowners, Mr. Coleman said. If a small farm is purchased, the buyer and his family are usually capable of working it and any tenant or sharecropper living on the tract must move. Large landowners replace the present farm laborers with families brought from Arkansas or elsewhere, families the new owner knows are capable.

There has been the usual influx this season of farm help to Southeast Missouri from the south, without a corresponding migration the opposite direction, so the usual surplus problem is confronting farmers and social agencies, now that the cotton picking is almost completed.

PERSONAL SOLUTIONS

Mr. Coleman said the larger landowners, by checking acreages handled now by tenants and sharecroppers, might adjust in enough places to take care of two or three more families. In one instance he cited, a tenant on one of his farms had decided to work the entire farm next year and release a sharecropper beneath him. Although, in effect, the sharecropper was responsible to the tenant only, the landowner said he would draft next year's contract with the tenant to provide that the sharecropper remain on the land. Too, the tenant did not realize that he would lose government Agriculture Conservation checks if he removed the sharecropper.

The AAA expects to exercise rigid supervision over the tenant and sharecropper status of farms. Owners of land, tenants and sharecroppers have been notified by county committees that if the hired help leaves their present land, the party responsible will be penalized through the crop reduction payments.

PLAN COUNTY GROUPS

Mr. Coleman said the landowner hope to organize a group in each county. A meeting for Mississippi County holders will take place this Monday night at Charleston.

The groups hope to facilitate the normal transfer of labor between crop seasons. A normal shift of farm worker families can be expected each year, and the landowners, by contacting one another, can help locate a large number of movers who might otherwise be stranded.

P.-T. A. School Lunchrooms Vary Menu Each Day

A different menu each day was served at the P.-T. A. Lunchrooms in the High School, South Grade School and colored school the past week, the first week of the project this season. Two hundred to 250 children ate each day, and an effort is being made to serve milk daily. Ten women from the WPA are on duty.

Monday, potato soup, bread and jelly, fruit; Tuesday, kraut with bacon, beans, corn bread and milk, fruit; Wednesday, meat stew, bread and butter, milk, stewed fruit; Thursday, greens with bacon, sweet potatoes, corn bread and milk, apple; Friday, tomato soup, peanut butter sandwiches, fruit.

Boy Struck By Truck

Morehouse Lad, 7, Suffers Fractured Skull in Accident

Buddy Thomas, 7-year-old Morehouse school boy, suffered a fractured skull at noon Monday when he was struck by a truck on a street there.

The lad was rushed to Southeast Missouri Hospital in the Albritton ambulance, and his condition was pronounced critical. He did not suffer any other injuries except a skinned leg.

The truck driver's name could not be learned. Witnesses said the boy had eaten lunch at a store and was running across the street, returning to school, when hit.

The boy and his mother, Mrs. Mabel Thomas, live with her father, Daniel Fletcher.

Gordon Shy, 44, Dies Suddenly

Gordon Samuel Shy, 44, died unexpectedly at his home, 214 Daniel Street, Sunday evening at 5:45 o'clock of a heart attack.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Shy of Kewanee, Mr. Shy was born in New Madrid April 1, 1895. On Sept. 16, 1919 he was married to Miss Helen Cruchon, also of New Madrid and to them were born seven children, all of whom survive. They are Gordon, Jr., Gwendolyn, David, Richard, Lloyd, Harold and Helen Marie. Two brothers, Arthur and Howard, and one sister, Mrs. O. W. Lewis, all of New Madrid, also survive.

Mr. Shy has been a resident of Sikeston for the past four years, moving here from New Madrid. He was employed as timekeeper for the WPA at the time of his death.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday morning 9 o'clock, in St. Francis Xavier Chuch here, of which he was a member Fr. J. J. O'Neill officiating, and burial will probably be in the New Madrid Cemetery.

Collections of County Taxes Big

County Collector C. E. Felker reports his office at Benton during November collected $70,511.54 in taxes, of which $11,055.10 was back taxes. In October the office took in $44,066.88, of which $10,708.32 was back taxes. This makes a total of $114,578.42 collected during the two months, which Mr. Felker says is much better than for the two months last year.

CHRISTIAN LADIES' AID

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian Church will meet Thursday afternoon, at 2 o'clock in the church basement. This will be a business meeting. All members please attend.

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HARMONY POINTS WAY TO VICTORY

For nearly seven years the Democratic Party has been in the ascendancy in State and Nation—and it still is the dominant party. Splendid governmental service in Washington and at Jefferson City has enabled the party to retain its well-earned prestige, and upon the excellent record it has achieved the party confidently looks forward to a glorious victory in 1940.

A frantic attempt is being made by an ancient enemy, however, to inject a discordant note in the Democratic symphony. Predictions that the Democratic primary in Missouri next year will be marked with such bitterness and hatred that disaster will follow in November are being broadcast over the State. Fortunately the seed is falling on barren ground.

The Democratic Party of Missouri will nominate a splendid ticket next August from a list of unimpeachable candidates — men and women of honesty and honor, integrity and industry. The candidates will be judged solely upon their records, their worthiness of the office sought, their party service, and their qualifications. And the ticket, when nominated by a majority of Democrats, will be one every Democrat can support with enthusiasm and consistency. The primary campaigns will be conducted on an open and high plane, as befits follows of the immortal Jefferson, and there will be no bitterness or discord carried over into the general election.

The primary will be free of rancor because Democrats everywhere have awakened to a realization that the issues at stake next year will transcend all party personalities and overshadow all petty party differences and jealousies. Upon the outcome of the balloting will hinge the continuance of the humanitarian and beneficial policies inaugurated by present Democratic administrations; upon its outcome will depend whether Government is to be turned back to the lords of privilege and plunder, or remain in the hands of the people.

Our foe is a common foe. Our cause is a just cause. Harmonious action, unselfish leadership and effective organization point the way to victory—and the Democratic Party triumphantly is traveling in that direction.

DEMOCRATIC ECONOMY AT MISSOURI'S CAPITOL

The Democratic Party of Missouri not only preaches economy—it practices it. Irrefutable evidence of that fact may be found in an examination of the financial records of the six major elective departments of the State during the past two years.

The 1937 Legislature, according to figures obtained from the offices of Col. W. B. McGregor, State Budget Officer, appropriated $6,252,310 for the support and operation of these six large and important departments in the past biennial period. Of that sum, only $5,227,607.40 was expended, leaving a balance of $1,024,702.60 in the State Treasury, which amount was saved the taxpayers of Missouri due to wise and economical administration.

The savings by the various departments follow: Executive, Gov. Lloyd C. Stark, $33,710.36; Secretary of State, Dwight H. Brown, $231,582.93; Attorney General, Roy McKittrick, $138,163.46; State Auditor, Forrest Smith, $202,245.74; State Treasurer, Robert W. Winn, $111,562.37; State Superintendent of Public Schools, Lloyd W. King, $307,437.74.

This splendid example of Democratic economy in public office is without parallel in the history of Missouri government. The funds had been appropriated and any or all of the state officials concerned could have expended every cent with propriety and justification. They elected, however, to conduct the affairs of government entrusted to their supervision in as economical a manner as possible without the loss of efficiency. As a result a saving of approximately 16 per cent accrues to the people of Missouri.

Savings of a like but lesser nature occured in virtually every other state department under Democratic control, money being spent only when absolutely necessary and when the State received 100 cents in value for every dollar expended.

It is a notable record—a truly remarkable achievement by Democratic officials — to which the Democracy of Missouri points with pardonable pride and great satisfaction.

MISSOURI TAKES LEAD IN TRACHOMA TREATMENT

Missouri's Democatic Administration at Jeffereson City again points the way—this time in the construction of a modern trachoma hospital at Rolla, the first state-owned institution in the nation for the exclusive treatment of a disease responsible for more blindness than probably any other single cause.

The $137,000 hospital, now completed, places Missouri in the forefront of the fight on this infectious disease which shuts out the cornea of the eye with opague tissue. The state now has about 18,000 cases of trachoma and the new hospital will be the headquarters for a campaign which it is believed will result in the elimination of all active cases in this state within ten years.

DR. CHRISTY TO RUN FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Jefferson City, December 7.—Dr. John G. Christy of Festus, three times Speaker of the House of Representatives, announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor today.

The big, taciturn Jefferson County representative will oppose Lieut. Gov. Frank G. Harris, the incumbent who announced he would seek re-election two weeks ago.

"It is my intention to make a strong and vigorous campaign," said the Festus dentist. "Having served as Speaker of the House of Representatives, I feel that I have gained experience which will be of geat value and that I should seek a higher office."

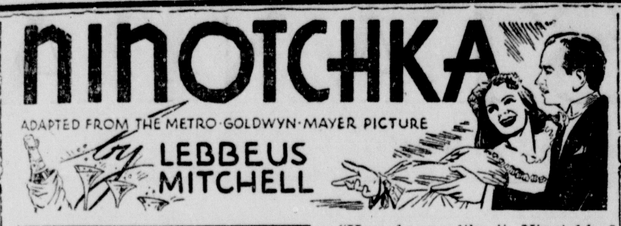
Christy, 42, handled the House during the hectic days of the Kansas City police bill debate last session.

Trinity Lutheran Church of Norborne observed the seventieth anniversary of its founding, November 19.

NINOTCHKA

ADAPTED FROM THE METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER PICTURE

by LEBBEUS MITCHELL



SYNOPSIS: *Ninotchka is back in Moscow from Paris, where she had been sent to take over negotiations for the sale of the former Grand Duchess Swana's court jewels. In Paris she and Count Leon d'Algout, Swana's sweetheart, had fallen in love. Swana had got hold of the jewels and returned them only upon Ninotchka's agreeing to leave Paris that very day by plane, without seeing Leon. Having an omelet in her Moscow room, with the three Russian agents she had supplanted in the negotiations, she receives a letter from Leon, but everything is blacked out save the salutation and the signature—"censored."*

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Chapter Twelve

A MISSION TO CONSTANTINOPLE

Razinin, commissar of the Moscow Board of Trade, had sent a message to Ninotchka asking her to call—and, as his request was a command, she went to his office. She stood before his desk, a number of folders in her hand, waiting for him to recognize her presence. At length he looked up.

"Good morning, Comrade."

"Good morning, Comrade Commissar." She was very businesslike. "Here is my report on the materials available for trading in the next four months."

"Does this include the products of the Far Eastern provinces?"

"Yes, it does."

"You mean you have finished the whole investigation?"

"Yes."

"That's marvelous! You must have worked day and night. Don't you ever sleep?"

"I need very little sleep. We must be extremely careful what goods we take in exchange. I have already started a survey of our most urgent needs."

"Well, Comrade, I am afraid you will have to turn over that work to someone else."

Startled, Ninotchka asked: "May I ask why?"

"Please, sit down. . . . Will you have a cigarette?"

"Thank you."

"Well, Comrade, have you heard from your friends, Kopalski, Buljanoff and Iranoff?" asked Razinin.

"No."

"I haven't either, but I've *heard* about them. You must realize it was only on the strength of your Paris report that I sent them to Constantinople. Without that I would never have trusted them on a mission as important as the fur deal."

"May I ask what happened?"

"As soon as our representatives go to a foreign country they seem to lose all sense of balance. Those three have been in Constantinople six months and haven't sold a piece of fur. This is from a report I've had: 'How can the Bolshevik cause gain respect among the moslems if your three representatives get so drunk that they throw a carpet out of their hotel window and complain to the management that it didn't fly?'"

Ninotchka barely suppressed a smile. "Oh, they shouldn't do such things. Are you sure the report is correct?"

"It gives details which couldn't be invented. Naturally, I want to verify it and that's why I need you."

"You . . . you want me to go to Constantinople?"

"Yes. Leaving immediately."

"I appreciate the confidence you show in me, but I must ask you to entrust someone else with this mission. I am positive that my survey is more important than finding out whether—"

"That is for me to decide, Comrade Yakushova," said Razinin curtly.

"I am sorry. I don't want to overstep my position, but, please, don't send me."

"I don't understand your attitude in this."

"How can I make myself clear? . . . It is difficult to express, but I'd rather not go to foreign countries any more. Please, Comrade, let me stay here. Let me finish my work. . . . I don't want to go away. The foreign atmosphere throws one out of gear. . . . Let me finish my work. I have concentrated everything in it."

Razinin arose. "Please don't waste my time, Comrade. Do your duty. Goodbye."

"I will do my best," said Ninotchka, accepting the inevitable.

Buljanoff, Iranoff and Kopalski met Ninotchka at the Constantinople airport and took her to their luxurious suite in a hotel.

"How do you like it, Ninotchka? Isn't it wonderful?"

"But, Comrades," she started to protest.

"Now please don't start figuring it out in cows," said Iranoff.

"You have done it again," she said wearily, "and I am responsible. How can you forget yourselves this way? You were sent here to make money, not to spend it."

"You still have those old-fashioned Bolshevik ideas," he replied. "It is high time you got out of Russia," said Buljanoff.

"But, Comrades—"

"We are not comrades any more," said Kopalski happily. "We are friends, Ninotchka."

"We don't have to whisper any longer," said Buljanoff.

"We can say whatever we want. We can shout," said Iranoff, "and nobody pays any attention. That is freedom."

"Isn't it possible to bring you back to reality a moment? I must have a complete report of your negotiations and . . . expense accounts."

"Don't ask for it, Ninotchka."

"Comrades — friends — don't make it difficult for me. This no more a pleasure trip for me than it is for you."

"That," said Iranoff, "was our idea when we first came, but we learned better."

"We are in the magic East, Ninotchka," said Kopalski, "the land of Aladdin and his lamp. In one single hour you can crowd in a thousand and one nights."

"All you have to do is to say, 'open, sesame,'" added Buljanoff.

"I don't know how I can get you out of it this time. How will it end? What will happen to you?"

"Shall we tell her?" asked Buljanoff. His friends nodded. "Ninotchka, we hope you will be our guest."

"We have opened a restaurant," said Iranoff.

"We have a wonderful electric sign," said Kopalski.

"You mean you are deserting Russia?" asked Ninotchka sadly.

Kopalski objected: "Don't call it desertion. Our little restaurant—that is our Russia. The Russia of borscht, the Russia of Boeuf strogonoff, bleenies with sour cream—"

Iranoff interrupted. "The Russia of piroshki. We are not only serving food, we are serving our country, we are making friends."

"Who gave you this idea?" asked Ninotchka, completely bewildered. "What is responsible for all this?"

"There's something in Constantinople — something irresistible," said Kopalski.

"It is in the air," said Iranoff. "It may come around the corner as you walk down the street. . . ."

Buljanoff took up the word: "It may step out of a bazaar. . . . It may wait for you in a corridor. . . . It may hide in the shadow of a minaret. . . ."

"But now it's on the balcony," said Kopalski, pointing.

Ninotchka looked and was dumbfounded, for there stood Count Leon d'Algout, smiling at her longingly.

"They wouldn't let me into Russia," he said, "so I had to get you out."

"So . . . you're behind all this!" she gasped. "I might have known!"

Leon advanced, took her hand and kissed it fervently, while the three Russian agents, having exchanged covert glances, walked discreetly out of the room, closing the door.

"Trying to keep me away from you!" said Leon. "It couldn't be done. I couldn't, naturally, go on forever punching passport officials in the nose—but I found a way, didn't I? Darling, I had to see you. I wrote and wrote but all my letters came back."

"The one I got they wouldn't let me read. It began 'Ninotchka, darlling' and ended 'yours, Leon.'"

"I won't tell you what came between. I'll prove it. It will take a long time, Ninotchka—at least a lifetime."

"But, Leon, I am here for only a few days," she said, knowing in her heart what she wanted to do, but evading a decision.

"If you don't stay with me, I'll have to continue my fight. I'll travel wherever Russian commissions are. I'll make them all restaurant keepers. I'll depopulate Russia. Once you saved your country by going back. This time you can save it by staying here."

"Well, when it is a choice between my personal interest and the good of my country, how can I waver? No one shall say Ninotchka was a bad Russian."

He took her in his arms, and her lips sought his.

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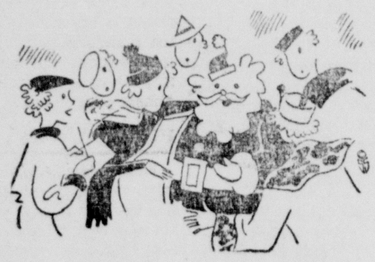
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SYNOPSIS

During a siege in which Geronimo, Apache leader, has split the army forces into three units, separating troops, scouts and a much-needed ammunition train, Captain Starrett, by a ruse, succeeds in bringing together General Steele, army martinet, and his young son, Lieutenant Jack Steele, who have been estranged since the young man's childhood due to the general's rigid insistence on the army code of discipline. They shake hands, and discover the depth of their sincere liking for eacl other.

CHAPTER VIII

SNEEZER and his few surviving scouts glanced down at the island on which the army troops were barricaded. Sneezer, ill-at-ease, commented, "They ain't fired a shot since yesterday. This quiet is worse than an attack. Two days now without food. Them troops can't hold out much onger."

"What do you think Geronimo's up to?" asked Pedro.

Sneezer shrugged. "He ain't up to no good!"

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A group of soldiers at the barricade glanced toward the Indian lines. "It's so quiet it scares you," said one. "You can't see a single one of 'em," added another. "I don't have to see 'em. I can feel 'em," said a third.

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Geronimo, seated with his interpreter and Gillespie, spoke to the half-breed. Both laughed and leered, as if enjoying a good joke. The interpreter turned to Gillespie. "Geronimo say, you take flag of truce—go to general — tell general to come here for big talk—Geronimo want to surrender."

Gillespie, a look of horror and terror on his face as he realized his plight, turned frantically to Geronimo. "You can't kill him that way! I couldn't do that! If ever he . . ." His words died in his throat as he recognized the vicious look on Geronimo's face and realized that he had no choice. The half-breed chuckled, "Geronimo say, you bring general, you live. You no bring general . . ." he stopped with very obvious meaning.

"Maybe we can make a break now," replied a scout. "Under that flag of truce, maybe we can get to them troops."

Sneezer shook his head. "No," he said firmly. "That's one of Geronimo's old tricks. Keep under cover, men. They'll get you if you poke your nose out." His voice was desperate. "The general can't hear our yells. Geronimo'll use that flag of truce to massacre 'em all!"

Pedro, halfway up the side of the hill, called back to Sneezer. "I tell general what you say."

"Don't go, Pedro," yelled Sneezer anxiously. "It's a trick. I tell you! Don't go!"

"Don't worry," called Pedro. "I tell general to look out."

The words were hardly out of his mouth when a huge boulder, pushed by three Indians hidden on top of the hill, rolled straight for him. Before the horrified eyes of Sneezer and the other scouts, Pedro, hit by the boulder, catapulted through the air, and crashed down on the hill, dead.

In the meantime Gillespie, having crossed the river under his flag of truce, marched up to face General Steele, who stood sternly at attention.

"General," Gillespie said, "this is terrible! I heard of this attack and traveled two hundred miles to get here. I'm still a servant of the government, you know. You refused my help once, but I'm offering it again. If I had known sooner I would have prevented all this—this awful bloodshed. I could have kept Geronimo from attacking your ammunition train. You see, he started on the warpath before I . . ." Just then he caught sight of Starrett and Jack Steele, who had stepped from their cover to stand before him. Gillespie stopped short and his mouth flopped open in complete, paralyzing bewilderment.

The general's voice was quiet. "Those are mighty fine rifles you supplied the Indians, Gillespie. We're no match for them—seven-shot repeaters." He turned to a soldier. "McNeal," he said, "this man is your prisoner. See that he keeps shooting until he draws the fire of every Indian on that bank." He turned back to Gillespie. "Our guns don't shoot as clean as yours—but they make mighty nasty sores in the back."

Gillespie, with no alternative, grabbed the rifle which the soldier held out. He stood on the barricade while the soldier stood behind him with another rifle levelled at the centre of his back, and shot toward the Indians.

Geronimo, watching through his binoculars, recognized Gillespie as the man firing. His jaw set in a determined line.

That night, with the sleep-drunk McNeal still keeping guard over Gillespie and forcing him to continue firing, General Steele sat with Starrett and Jack Steele before the campfire. Starrett spoke quietly. "There are over two thousand of them, sir, and more coming every minute. We've got to get help."

"Every man counts here," snapped the general.

"But at these odds, sir, one less won't make any difference. If I do get help, the others may have a chance. If I don't," he shrugged, "it won't matter much."

Jack broke in eagerly. "Let me go with him, sir. One of us will surely make it!"

Steele shook his head. "No!"

"But you once said, sir," insisted Jack doggedly, "that there should be no favoritism. That should work both ways."

There was a long pause. Then Steele nodded with pride. "Very well," he said, and held out his hand to Jack. "Good luck." He paused again, then added, "Son!"

Jack smiled tenderly. "Thank you . . . dad!" The two men shook hands.

Jack turned to Starrett, motioned to him, and they left the barricade, to start working their way across the river.

When Starrett and Jack reached the other side of the river, they found themselves in a pile of brush beside which stood a large group of horses tied together.

Starrett nodded to Jack, who motioned to the horses to show that he understood. They wormed their way to the group, and carefully loosened the reins of two of the nearest animals. Just as they were about to mount, one of the horses whinnied, and the Indian standing silhouetted in the moonlight wheeled, yelled and jumped, together with two Indian guards, on the pair of whites.

Jack, no match for the powerful warrior who had seized him, was borne backward onto the ground. The brave raised his knife high above the boy's heart, and was just about to plunge it home, when Starrett, who had broken loose from his captors, jumped to Jack's aid. Jack rolled free as Starrett pulled the Indian off and yelled, "Get going, Jack! Get on that horse!"



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Jack instinctively rushed to Starrett's aid as he saw his friend struggling in the grip of two Indians. Starrett yelled in desperation, "Go ahead! Never mind me!"

Jack continued to struggle to free Starrett, who screamed, "Get help! Get going, I tell you!"

Starrett managed to push Jack away. The Indian made another grab for Jack, while Starrett pleaded with the boy. "They'll all be massacred! Get help, please!" he yelled.

Jack, suddenly brought to his senses, leaped on one of the horses and rode frantically away as the Indian plunged his knife up to the hilt in Starrett's back, and the officer fell to the ground, dead.

(To be continued)

Gillespie rose to his feet and walked away, while Geronimo snatched away the binoculars which he had held in his hand.

Captain Starrett and Jack Steele rushed up to where General Steele sat disconsolately surveying the desolate plain. Excitedly Starrett yelled, "They're sending a flag of truce, sir!" And as he recognized the bearer of the flag, he turned back to Steele. "It's Gillespie, sir," he added.

Steele waved at the two men. "You get out of sight," he said grimly and suspiciously.

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Up on the hill, Sneezer, staring down at the sight of Gillespie advancing under a flag of truce, turned bitterly to Pedro. "I figured he'd try something like that," he said.

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About Missouri

By E. L. Preston

Robert Marcellus Stewart, of St. Joseph, elected governor of Missouri in 1857, 80 years ago, upset a holiday tradition by naming Thanksgiving Day in December rather than on the orthodox last Thursday in November, setting a precedent for President Roosevelt and Governor Stark who this year designated the fourth Thursday as a day of thanks. James Turnbaugh, writing in the Kansas City Star, says Governor Stewart's proclamation, issued November 25, 1859, was outstanding in that it passed over national tradition and set an unorthodox date for the holiday. The date selected was December 8, the anniversary of Washington's crossing the Delaware—selected, some historians say, because the proslavery governor did not want the people "to thank God on the same day with a damned Abolitionist." Stewart's administration was made particularly turbulant by the storm that was rising to hurl the nation into the war between the states two years later. As strong as Governor Stewart was in his proslavery sympathies, he never allowed his radicalism to run to the extent that he would sanction Missouri's secession from the Union. In his farewell address, January 3, 1861, he said "Missouri will stand to her lot and hold to the Union so long as it is worth an effort to preserve it."

And from the Paris, Mo., Appeal comes the story of a man who sought and found hs fortune in the West, leaving a large estate to Missouri relatives and private organizations. The Probate Court fo Monroe County has approved the distribution of $24,000, making a total of $91,500 which had been allowed heirs. The final liquidation, it is said, will be made in 1941, when it is estimated an additional $40,000 will be forthcoming. Robert L. Sprinkle, who died in 1931 at the age of 70, left his boyhood home in Granville, 12 miles from Paris, when he was 18. He located in Chinook, Mont., and there built a fortune, founded on sheep, that at one time was estimated at more than a million dollars. In 1929 he returned to Paris to make his home and in December of that year he and his childhood sweetheart, Miss Willie Hayden, were married. The will established a trust fund for Mrs. Sprinkle, made several bequests and then named various organizations to share in the remainder. The Red Cross, the Salvation Army and the fund for superannuated Methodist ministers were included in the bequests.

"The Highway of the Kings," or if you are up on your Spanish, "El Camino Real"—, St. Louis south over parts of State Highways 25 and 61, is the oldest public road in Missouri and was laid out during Spanish domination in the 18th century. Kingshighway Boulevard in St. Louis is part of this ancient route which extended from the eastern metropolis to Little Prairie, now Caruthersville in Pemiscot County. The old King's Trace passed in front of Commandant Valle's House erected in Ste. Genevieve in 1782, and still standing. A replica of the Valle home was used in the Missouri exhibits at both New York and San Francisco World's Faris.

Walter H. Pohl, photographer for the Missouri Highway Department, who has recently received national award on his work, has a collection of 24 of his prize-winning pictures on display now in the Resources Museum in the Capitol at Jefferson City. The display is well worth traveling miles to see.

A new road from St. Joseph north 8 miles to Savannah, Andrew County, to relieve "the congestion and danger" on U. S. Route 71, is proposed by a group of Buchanan County road boosters who say it should take 1000 to 2000 cars daily off the present route.

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Sam P. Rady for several years an employe of the State Highway Department and stationed in Sikeston, but now with the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation of New York and stationed in Chicago visited with Sikeston friend over the week end. He was on his way to Florida and Cuba in the interest of his Corporation. Sam has gained considerable averdupois since leaving Sikeston. His visit to The Standard office was duly appreciated.

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Saturday night the business section looked drab without the usual Christmas decorations, but Sunday night the overstreet decoration were up and the many colored lights turned on made the old town looked Christmasy, then Monday morning the light standards were wound with evergreen wreaths that brought Sikeston up-to-date in Christmas decorations. Come to see us.

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The goldfish swims around and around in his little bowl and he blows a lot of bubbles and attracts a lot of attention—but he never gets anywhere or does anything. The Republican Party is like that.

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With this issue and until after the first of the year we can't promise just when the paper will be delivered to the readers in the city for the reason it is impossible for the office force to set the type, the advertising, the press work, and get out two big editions a week and have it delivered to subscribers before the sun sets. However, bear with us as we are happy that we are kept busy and out of devilment.

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Lula Lee was arrested and placed in jail at Poplar Bluff for driving a car while intoxicated. This is the first time we have heard of a woman being jailed in Southeast Missouri for reckless driving while drunk.

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THREE STRIKES—AND OUT

1. Down at Morehouse a strike was called on August 28th. More than 225 employes of a timber-working plant walked out. They demanded a closed shop and a wage increase.

The situation rocked along until last week when the men went back to work, without a closed shop, and a pay increase that was originally offered.

Paid organizers from the outside brought about the strike, it is said. Against their own best judgment 225 men were idle for more than three months, and gained nothing. Morehouse is an economic wreck, and it will be months before the economic and social life of the town is anything like normal.

A strike—and out!

2. Two years ago paid organizers invaded the ranks of the shoe workers at Poplar Bluff, secretly organized a union and announced a strike.

For months agitators from the outside kept the strike going and the suffering shoe workers stayed on the outside of the plant.

Now the factory appears to be permanently closed, and several hundred men and women are on the outside for keeps.

A strike—and out!

3. Ste. Genevieve lime workers staged a strike a few months ago that paralyzed Ste. Genevieve, subjected every interest to heavy loss, and entailed a long period of suffering upon the strikers.

Finally they went back to work, literally starved out, but it will be a long time before the community recovers from the consequences of the bitterness engendered and the losses sustained.

We happen to know that Ste. Genevieve was not considered for another industry recently because of the fear that there is not a proper spirit of friendliness toward the employer on the part of labor.

A strike—and out!

—Fredericktown Democrat.

MISSOURI MELANGE

Despite a 2 per cent increase in acreage, strawberries will be fewer in Missouri next year, if the crop is normal, the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation states. It explains that last year's crop was 10 per cent above normal, and does not believe it likely that that will be repeated. Prices may be higher because of improved demand resulting from higher consumer income.

J. C. Penney, owner of a chain of stores and of the Penney Farms near Hamilton, Mo., was a guest speaker at William Jewell College, Liberty, recently.

Fire damaged the Lambda Chi fraternity house in Rolla to the extent of about $600 during November.

By a vote of 119 to 4, citizens of Glasgow, at an election—November 17 authorized issuance of $7,000 in bonds for additions and improvements to the muncipal water plant. The fund augments $9,000 voted last year for construction of the plant.

As is customary with pet shows, the one held in Mound City, November 18, brought out some unusual entries. Included were goats, lambs, pigs, ducks and chickens, a well as the more common-place cats and dogs.

In what it declared to have been the first armed robbery in Paris, Mo., in a half-century, a youthful robber pointed a "large pistol" at a 17-year-old filling station attendant, November 28, ordered the attendant into a closet and escaped with $25 from the cash register.

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Buying The Holiday Bird

By Katharine Fisher

Director, Good Housekeeping Institute

Poultry, believe it or not, has changed as the years have gone by Fancy and choice turkeys, ducks, and chickens, both fresh and frozen are now being branded by national meat packers. A tag or sticker bearing the packer's name identifies these quality birds, so ask about them when you market. In buying these you pay so much per pound for the full weight of the dressed bird—that is, including head, feet, and giblets.

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How Big Should The Bird Be?

Turkeys: ½ to ¾ lb. of dressed turkey (before head, feet and giblets are removed) is a fair allowance per person. For example, a 15-lb. dressed turkey provides about 20 servings. But when you're counting noses, don't forget to allow for second servings.

Chicken or Capon: With birds of 3½ lbs. or over, allow about ½ lb. to ¾ lb. of dressed meat per person. For example, a 4-lb. to 5-lb. bird serves about 6. As for less weighty chickens, a 2½-lb. bird serves 2 to 3 persons.

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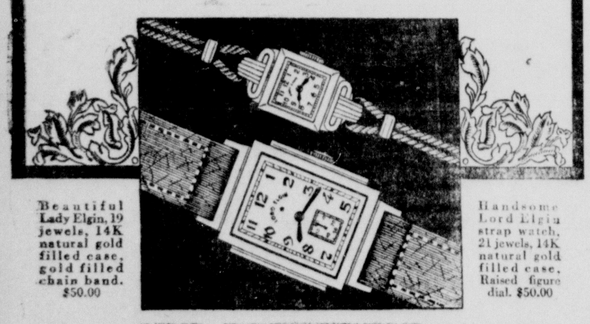
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News of the Town

Mrs. Ed Kendall, Reporter.—Phone 761W

Squire Gupton of Morley was a visitor in Sikeston Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Lee Bowman was hostess at a dessert bridge Monday afternoon.

Kayser Stockings are appreciated for Xmas. The People's Store.

Mrs. M. G. Gresham is improving from attack of strepococcic throat.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mrs. E. H. Orear and Mrs. Sam Brady of Poplar Bluff spent Friday in Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Martin are parents of a son born Friday at their home in this city.

Give Her Kayser Stockings. The People's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lancaster, Miss Eva Newton and Tommy Roberts spent Saturday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morgan of Matthews were guests Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pratt.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ault of Charleston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam Jr. Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lula Hicks of Hot Springs, Ark., came Saturday for a visit of several days with relatives and friends here.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mrs. J. M. Kelley and her sister, Mrs. Vernon Kelley, visited their father, J. Y. Eves at Bloomfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reid of Cooter spent last week end here with Mrs. Reid's mother, Mrs. Orville Lumsden.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hill and daughter, Joan, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hill in Dexter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pitman visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McMullin near Bertrand Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lindley and children spent Saturday in Cape Girardeau. They were accompanied home that evening by Mrs. Lindley's brohter-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Botter and their children, who spent Saturday night and Sunday in the Lindley home.

Evergreen Decoration for the home and business. Smilax holly, evergreen boughs and Laurel Roping. Phone 501. Woehlecke the florist.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Mouser and son, LaVerne, spent Sunday in Fredericktown with Mrs. Mouser's mother, Mrs. G. W. Hawn.

Give Her Kayser Stockings. The People's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam Jr. visited Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Loebe in Charleston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Diehl, daughter, Ruth Margaret, and son, Carl Jr., and Miss Mary Emma Heath were in Bloomfield Sunday afternoon.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Mitchell and son of Malden, Lee Bowman, Clay Mitchell and Murray Klein, returned last Thursday night after spending a week in the east.

Evergreen Decoration for the home and business. Smilax holly, evergreen boughs and Laurel Roping. Phone 501. Woehlecke the florist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffith visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Birkicht in Forrest City, Ark., last week end, and brought them to Sikeston for a visit.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mrs. Milem Limbaugh, Mrs. Eula Bowman Shanks, Mrs. Byron Bowman and daughter, Jane, Mrs. Paul Bowman and son, Phil, and Sammy Bowman III, spent Wednesday last week in St. Louis.

W. T. Stubblefield entered Barnes Hospital in St. Louis last Thursday morning for examination and medical treatment. He was accompanied to St. Louis by his daughter, Miss Kathleen Stubblefield.

Mrs. I. G. Lewis entertained four tables of guests at a pinochle party Saturday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dellar Mott on North Kingshighway. She was assisted by Mrs. Mott and Miss Elsie Freed.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lambert Friday afternoon.

A. D. Sheppard Jr. of Doniphan was a week end guest of John Ponder.

Mrs. Lynn Sutton, Mrs. L. E. Ford and Mrs. Wm. Cotton spent last Wednesday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan spent the week end in Rolla with their son, Amos Buchanan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cohen and son, Byron, left Sunday for Chicago and New Albany, Ind. to spend several days.

Mrs. Louis Ferrell and daughter, Miss Eva Newton spent Sunday in Caruthersville as guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Searles.

Mrs. Abe Davis returned last Thursday from Chicago where she was called by the death of a sister, Mrs. Kathryn Langdon.

Mrs. Louie Graber, Mrs. J. Goldstein and son, Joe, and Mrs. Sam Sarno of Morehouse spent last Thursday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cotton were guests of the latter's brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith in Dexter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gipson and daughter, Miss Anna Lou, of Jonesboro, Ark. visited Mrs. Gipson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Young Sunday. Miss Anna Lou Gupson was a dinner guest of Miss Mae Edwards.

Mrs. C. M. Smith and her daughter, Miss Dorothy, returned home Saturday after a visit with relatives in De Sota, Ill. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Maria Herple, who will be their guest for two weeks.

Mrs. Harold Brase, Miss Irene Brase and Miss Dessie Hydrick of Poplar Bluff and Mrs. Meredith Lee spent Saturday and Sunday in St. Louis. Meredith Lee joined Mrs. Lee Saturday night and accompanied her home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Matthews had as dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Klein, Miss Camille Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein, daughter, Miss Evelyn, and son, Jean, Mrs. J. H. Yount and son, Jack, Miss Margaret and James Corrigan of Poplar Bluff.

Those from Sikeston who attended a chili supper given by the B'Nai Brith Sunday at Cape Girardeau were, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Graber and children, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Shainberg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Yoffee and children, Mrs. J. Goldstein, Joe Goldstein and Mr. and Mrs. William Mariam.

Carroll Sutton went to Hot Springs, Ark. one day lat week via airplane, and spent a day and night with his father, J. Z. Sutton who has been there for several weeks in the interest of his health. Mr. Sutton recently underwent a minor operation from which he is recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hedden will entertain members of the force at Sikeston Tractor and Implement Co. and their wives at dinner Thursday evening in the Palace Cafe. The guests will include, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Uht and son, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tutley, Miss Bonita Hedden and Charles Yanson.

Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury entertained guests at dinner at the Marshall Hotel Sunday, complimentary to her house guests, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kingsbury of New Franklin, Mo. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Jere Kingsbury of Caruthersville, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes, Mrs. O. E. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Kevil, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kingsbury and Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury.

BOBBY KEASLER HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Bobby Keasler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Keasler, was the honor guest at a party for him Sunday in observance of his fourth birthday. Guests who enjoyed games and refreshments were Jimmy Arthur, Gene Raymond Auffdenberg, Donnell Baker, Glenn Barton, Charles Blanton, III, David Bowman, Sammy Bowman, Damon Dale, Eddie McAmus, Billy Stearns, Bobby Stearns, Paul Slinkard, Bobby Gregory, Freddie Taylor, Jimmy Williams, Ann Tully, Mary Ann Walker, Carol Jo Crites, Kathleen Noonan, Jimmy and Betty Sue Keasler. Mrs. Keasler was assisted by Mrs. H. E. Randloph and Mrs. Charles Stearns in serving.

There are 750,000 banjos mandolin, ukuleles, and other fretted musical instruments, exclusive of guitars, in the United States. Of guitars, there are 1,500,000.

BLOOMFIELD BEARS BEAT DEMONS, 71-41

The Bloomfield Bears Sunday defeated the Centralia, Ill., Black Demons, negro independents, by a 71-31 count at Bloomfield. This is the closest a team has come to the Bears' score this season.

The largest salmon ever caught in Southeastern Alaska weighed 120 pounds. The fish, taken in the 1939 season, was 53½ inches long and 36½ inches around. It was caught in a net. The previous record salmon, caught in 1910, weighed 116 pounds.

SUFFERS PNEUMONIA AFTER OPERATION

Frank Emerson sustained an operation at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau Thursday night and was considered in a satisfactory condition until Saturday, when a pneumonia complication developed. His condition was unchanged Monday afternoon.

At the spiritualist's: "So you want to call up the spirit of your mother-in-law?"

"Yes, it wasn't enough for her to plague the life out of me, just before he died she hid my pipe."
—Jackson Cash-Book.

Sundays and holidays are the safest for pedestrians, records show. On regular week days, pedestrian deaths make up 39 per cent of the total killed in traffic accidents; on Sundays and holidays the toll drops to 27 per cent.

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Wide 15-In. Rear Axle
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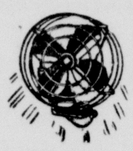
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Master "Twin-Flow"
$9.35
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With Every "MASTER" Heater During This Sale, Entitles you to $1.50 in merchandise with the purchase of a Z304 car heater or $1.00 in merchandise with a Z302 car heater.

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Replaces 45-plate batteries. Rated at 132 amp. hours; delivers 170 amps for 20 minutes. Spinning power of 300 amps for 5 full minutes at zero. S632. Exchange $9.35

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Special low-type for V-8 Fords, '37-'39; Chevrolet, etc. Rated 110 amps. 135 amps for 20 minutes. Spinning power of 300 amps for 4.3 minutes at Zero. S633. Exch. $7.60

6-Months Guaranteed BATTERY
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Coats and Dresses
Our Entire Stock Included



This is the sale you have waited for, and there will be no disappointments. Hundreds of fine coats and dresses are now at your disposal for less than manufacturers cost. The winter season is just starting; our stocks are heavy; you will have plenty to select from and we need not tell you that the styles are the most beautiful to be found in any store in Southeast Missouri. Come quickly for our stocks will soon melt away at these prices.

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All $10.95 Coats reduced to ..$7.95
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Extra Special COATS

Last year's styles at half price and even less. The original prices quoted are already marked down prices.

$5.95 $8.96 $10.95

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New fall styles. Values in silk and wool dresses. This is not a lot of junk; they are really beautiful dresses.

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All Suede Shoes Reduced

Rhythm Step and Buckner DeLuxe $7.50 and $6.75, Now $4.95
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All $16.95 Dresses reduced to $10.95
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THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE CO.

Missouri Melange

The Marines have landed in Sedalia—and opened a recruiting office in the Post Office building.

Clifton Clark of Warrenton narrowly escaped drowning recently when a skiff in which he was hunting ducks overturned in the Missouri River near Treloar. He was rescued by three companions, who rushed him to a doctor in Marthasville.

The hand of Commercialism touches another Missouri landmark, according to news from St. Joseph. The house in which, in the words of the poet, "the dirty little coward shot Mister Howard and laid poor Jesse in his grave," is to be taken from its hilltop location in St. Joseph and moved to the Belt highway east of the city, where it will become a part of a service station development. For sixty or more years, the house, in which Bob Ford killed Jesse James, infamous Missouri outlaw, has been a major attraction for tourists. A hole in one of the interior walls is pointed out as having been made by the bullet which ended the bandit's career. Its present location faces a factory building that, in pony express days, was the World's Hotel, where the bandit spent his leisure and noted enticing express shipments. A year ago a group of St. Joseph business men bought the house to forestall plans to move it to the New York World's Fair, and offered it to the city as a museum. The city council took no action.

The thrill of a lifetime came to T. R. Austin, Jr., 9-year-old Chillicothe boy, recently. He rode all the way from St. Joseph to his home in a big ambulance, with siren "and everything". The fact he had undergone an operation to correct a bone condition which forced him to walk with crutches was forgotten. The big cast on his leg, from ankle to hip, which ordinarily would serve as subject for weeks of juvenile conversation, is ignored as T. R., Jr., lies in his bed at home and tells his pals about the ride home—and especially how the ambulance "made that noise like a fire truck" every time it turned a corner or passed another car.

"People of Memphis could hardly believe their ears Sunday morning when they heard the ringing of a church bell," comments the Memphis (Mo.) Democrat. "It has been many a year since a church bell was heard ringing in Memphis. The bell at the Baptist church, which is the only one left in town, has been repaired and the Rev. E. L. Painter, pastor, states it will ring from now on for all church services."

Possibly a desire to further their education prompted the Board of Education and local foot ball fans to send the Albany high school football players to Columbia, November 18, to wintess the game between Missouri and Oklahoma universities. They should have learned how its done!

"The Ridge", colored community near Auxvasse, was saved from possible destruction recently when rain extinguished a grass and brush fire which had gained alarming headway during the afternoon and night. The fire burned over a large area, but no buildings were destroyed, although a number of cattle were removed to safety from pastures in its path.

In keeping with that popular saying, "campaigns are won between elections", the Missouri Federation of Women's Democratic Clubs already is hard at work. Mrs. Milton F. Duvall of Clarksville, elected president at the recent convention in Jefferson City, announces meetings were held at Carrollton, November 29, and Trenton, December 5, and that another will be held in Fulton, December 12.

It cost $13,151 to print the Laws of 1939. The volume, containing the 300 laws passed by the 60th General Assembly, Missouri's longest legislature, comprised 960 pages and was rivalled in size only by the session acts of 1864, a Civil War year, and of 1909.

The new $450,000 building for the criminally insane at State Hospital No. 1, Fulton, was opened late in November. It has capacity for 320 inmates, and experts term it one of the best of its kind in the entire United States.

With several state departments yet to be heard from, more than 1,000 state employees have joined the Capitol Young Democratic Club in Jefferson City, in a campaign which began November 1. The drive for members will continue until December 10, according to Joephine Christian, membership committee chairman. The Capitol club is a purely social organization. The names of the members and their membership fees are sent back to the clubs in their home counties.

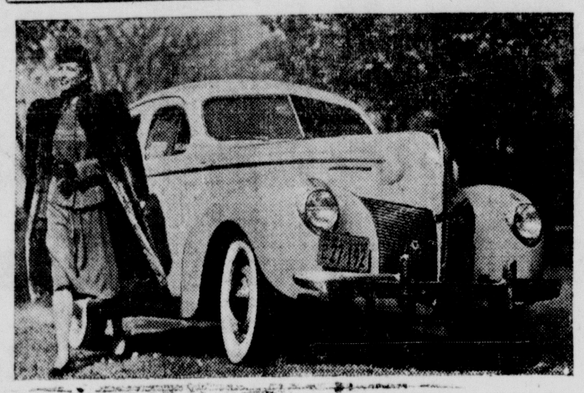
Members of the Agricultural Conservation Association of Marion and Ralls counties, with their wives, were guests of the Hannibal Chamber of Commerce at a dinner at the Mark Twain hotel there recently. More than 200 attended.

Speaking of dinners reminds us that the guests of honor at a banquet of the Missouri Jersey Breeders Association in Carthage during November were Dot Joyce and Observer Frolic — Jersey cows, which represented Missouri at the New York World's Fair Jersey Show.

Henry Pace, hunting near Tarkio, fired at what he thought was a crow. When he reached the fallen bird, he found he had killed an eagle with a wingspread of seven feet.

In an effort to bring back to Missouri the "woods pheasant", or ruffled grouse, the Missouri Conservation Commission has obtained fifty of the birds and released them in Indian Trail and Deer Run State Forests.

★ BAZAAR PREVIEW ★



THE eye is caught simultaneously by this fitted beaver coat and the Mercury Eight "Town Sedan," shown in Harper's Bazaar for November. This is perhaps the first time beaver has been made into a fitted coat. It is shirred in front and fitted in back.



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Santa may be embarrassed by the demand for Barbizon but we're not. We ordered enough slips, gowns and pajamas to go around (we hope) and we have them in all the wanted colors and sizes. Get your supply of these lovely, popular gifts while our stocks are complete. Sketched are a few random selections . . there are dozens more, in lovely Barbizon fab[illegible] all tailored in that special Barbizon.

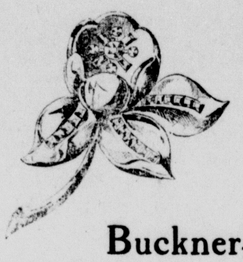
Monterey, a smart gown with bands of fagoting forming the square neck and waist band. Silk and rayon Satin Seraphim, in soft pastels. Sizes 32 to 40.

Kenworth, bias cut slip of Satin Seraphim, (silk and rayon), in wide range of sizes and lengths.

Mitzi-at-Ease, a pajama for lounging and sleeping that is smartly different with its wide lapels and two-tone sash. Tailored of silk and rayon Satin Seraphim in luscious color combinations.

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Nelly Don SOAPSUDS FASHIONS

Reasons For Modernization Outlined By Magazine

Modernization can restore the charm of past centuries and endow it with the comforts and conveniences of modern life, declares an editorial in House and Garden which answers the question "Why modernize?"

Nine reasons why modernization should be profitable were given.

They are:

1. It may cost less than buying or building a new house.

2. The owner may make his home more efficient and improve its resale value by careful replanning.

3. The home owner may obtain FHA-insured loans for modernization work up to $2,500 on easy terms from his local bank.

4. Modes of life have changed since the original house was built. The wide porch on the front is no longer desired, but a shaded terrace in the garden at the rear is wanted.

5. There are new materials available which make the house more practical and comfortable.

6. New mechanical equipment is more conventient and efficient than any available at the time the house was built.

7. The house may be out of style with modern ideas of good architectural taste.

8. The owner may want genuine antique detail but should not deprive himself of efficient plumbing and heating and other modern equipment.

9. The owner may be tired of his present surroundings and feel that it is time to freshen up the decoration, to give the house a new coat of paint and paper, and maybe even to put in some new windows.

HOPE CHEST IS BEING REVIVED BY 1939 BRIDE

By Bettina Bedwell.

Paris. — (Special.) — The hope chest, that old-fashioned symbol of the prospective bride, is being revived by the engaged girls of 1939. I learn from the folks who specialize in household linens that brides this spring have gone in for compiling sheets, pillow cases and towels for their new homes, in exactly the energetic way that their mothers and grandmothers used to do it. Hope chests are in style.

The hope chest in 1939 will include a dozen sheets, the same number of pairs of pillow slips, and towels, both bath and hand. And it is a very modern kind of household linen that is selected, for the sheets and pillow slips of the modern bride-to-be are made of silk and trimmed with embroidery and real lace, or in some cases pure white linen is preferred, with generous trimmings of real lace and fine embroidery.

An important branch of the hope chest collector's work is, naturally, lingerie, which is chosen in harmony with the household contents of the chest. The allowance of a dozen nightgowns is considered about what is right by many brides who will go to the altar this June. Lingerie for daytime wear must include at least that many step-ins, pairs of brasseiers and dress slips, too.

Nightgowns, sheets, and pillow slips are likely to match in color and are often made of the same silk and trimmed with identical lace. Pale sky blue, pale pink, lilac, and white of off-white are the colors being chosen by most brides this year.

The question of negligees, housecoats, pajamas, or whatever the bride will wear around her home, is a leading one that the hope chest must answer. At least one frivolous, frothy negligee is usually chosen even by the most practical bride, because of the atmosphere it provides.

One French bride, Mlle. de Castries, who recently married the Count de la Batie, chose only tailored house coats and pajamas for her trousseau. But these were made in the finest of satins and in sky blue, pink, or white.

One of the house coats chosen by Mlle. de Castries is of white slipper satin, and is strictly tailored, with a shoulder yoke, revers, belt and epaulettes of quilted satin. One pair of pajamas is made of sky blue satin and also trimmed with lines of quilting.

Eighteen combination step-ins ordered from Dubrulle by Mlle. de Castries are in white, off-white, sky blue, and pink. They were chosen in chiffon, in satin, and in crepe, and trimmed with real lace, and threaded with ribbons of the same color.

Twelve pairs of sheets and pillow slips were included in Mlle. de Castries' hope chest. They come in silk crepe de chine, and the pink and blue sheets are trimmed with real point d'Angleterre lace and Turkish point embroidery.

Twelve nightgowns in this trousseau were chosen in pink, blue, and off-white . They are made of satin or chiffon, and trimmed with malines lace. One is a gown of pink satin, which Dubrulle trims with lace, used to make the bertha, that is laced down the back on satin ribbon, and the wide corselet girdle, while another is a sky blue nightgown from Dubrulle, made of chiffon and having a gathered yoke and puff slevees of blue malines lace.

WHAT NEXT?

From THE MERCHANDISE MART



Even sport and field glasses are now undergoing the streamlining process as witness this miniature binocular. Looking not unlike a cigarette case, and similar in size, its ingenious construction permits the glasses to open or close in a split second.

Monthly Rentals Now Sufficient To Pay For Home

The average American family pays a monthly rental for living quarters which would be sufficient to take care of the monthly charges on a home of its own under the Federal Housing Administration plan of home financing, FHA officials say.

In some cases, the monthly charges on certain priced homes under FHA's plan would be less than rentals for comparable shelter.

The vast portion of America's income producers who could own homes but forego such a realization do so for a number of reasons, FHA officials point out. Among these may have been lack of sufficient down-payment, a reason lessened in validity since liberalization of FHA's Title I terms to the 5 per cent down payment. A number of financial instituions throughout the country have inaugurated savings programs, the cumulation of which is accumulation of sufficient funds for a down payment on a house.

Other reasons for foregoing a house purchase may have been desire to remain more mobile due to the nature of employment.

Under FHA's home-financing plans, now more flexible than ever, families can realize their home-owning ambitions in this respect on a sounder more liberal basis than ever before, FHA officials say.

SLIDING DOORS AID TO SPACE SAVING

Sliding doors for bedroom closets not only are efficient space savers but when well chosen also provide a fine wall decoration. They may be installed under the Modernization Credit Plan of FHA.

QUESTIONS—ANSWERS

Q. What causes most fires in houses?

A. Most conflagrations in houses are caused by overheated or improperly built flues, defective electric wiring, carelessness in the use of matches and cigarettes, and spontaneous combustion.

Q. In building a house, what are the most important considerations for fire prevention?

A. The essentials are good fireplace and chimney construction, proper separation and insulation of wood framing from chimney and fireplace, proper installation of heating systems and electric wiring, and construction of firestops between the studs of frame houses. The use of fireproof or fire-resistive materials for outside walls and roof is a protection from fire from outside the house. Where practicable, the location of the house at a distance from other buildings is a further safeguard against fire from without.

Q. What are firestops?

A. The space between studs, when left open from top to bottom, acts as a flue, so that fire which might occur in the lower part of a house might easily be drawn up within the walls. As a safeguard against such spread of fire, a fire-stop is made by closing these spaces with wood blocks or some incombustible materials.

Q. Our house is old and does not have many electric outlets. Is it dangerous to have a number of lamps draw power from one floor outlet?

A. It could be. Now that so many electrical appliances are in common use—radios, phonographs, sewing machines, picture projectors, curling irons, heaters, and so on—and multiple receptacles available at any dime store, particular care should be exercised not to overload a circuit. Under no circumstances should fuses be replaced with others of higher resistance. The use of pennies in fuse sockets is foolhardy, as it creates a definite fire hazard.

HEAVY LOAD WIRES FREQUENTLY NEEDED

In houses where electric cooking facilities are to be used, or where any similar heavy loading may occur, care should be taken that the service-entrance wires are of suitable size. A special circuit of suitable capacity should be run to the range or other appliances, Federal Housing Administration officials advise.

No Reason For Increase In Home Ownership Costs

It is the considered judgment of Federal Housing Administration officials that no reason exists why families which have been contemplating the purchase of a home should hesitate to do so at justifiable current prices.

The FHA can see no valid reason at the present time for any marked increase in the cost of construction and of home ownership, Administrator Stewart McDonald said.

FHA JUDGMENT GIVEN

After careful study of the present situation in consultation with field offices, lenders, builders, and others, the Federal Housing Administration sums up its judgment as follows:

"Recent events, world-wide in their influence, have introduced a large number of uncertainties into the economic life of every nation. They have come into the life of our own nation and into the field of home building and are affecting this field in a number of communities.

"So far, the effect of these developments is to produce a considerable amount of questioning with espect to the trend of building price in this country. This questioning with respect to the future is a definite and concrete factor in the home-building and home-buying market. It is possible that in this situation efforts may be made to take advantage of the uncertainty and promulgate price increases, which are entirely unjustified by the underlying factors in the situation.

COST INCREASE UNLIKELY

"At the present time the Federal Housing Administration can see no reason for any marked increase in the cost of construction and home ownership. It may be that a continued struggle in Europe will produce circumstances in this country that will justify some inceases in the price of some of the items entering into the cost of building. But these circumstances are yet too nebulous to anticipate with any degree of accuracy.

"Furthermore, the Federal Housing Administration can see no reason why families which have been contemplating the purchase of a home should hesitate to do so at justifiable current prices."

Everett Rowland of Warrensburg shot a large wolf near there late in November.

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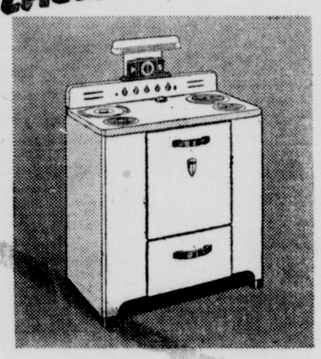
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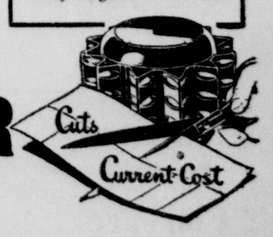
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McDaniel Enters Governor Race

Fulton, Mo., December 8.—Lawrence McDaniel, Excise Commissioner of St. Louis, made formal announcement tonight of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

McDaniel took advantage of a political debate on the New Deal with Walter C. Ploeser of St. Louis to toss his hat into the ring. He did not discuss any of the issues of his own campaign, but said he would have a statement in St. Louis tomorrow touching on state problems and outlining his position on various problems of importance in the state at this time.

RAN FOR MAYOR

It has been reported for several weeks that the portly St. Louis lawyer would seek the gubernatorial nomination and while he indicated his intention to run, made no formal announcement of his decision until tonight.

McDaniel has long been veteran leader in the Democratic organization in St. Louis and was the party nominee for Mayor in 1929, losing by a narrow margin to Mayor Victor J. Miller. He sought the Democratic nomination for Judge of the Supreme Court in 1936 and although he outran his opponent, Judge Ernest S. Gantt of Mexico in all of Missouri except Kansas City, was defeated by the tremendous vote rolled up for Judge Gantt in the Pendergast stronghold.

PLEDGED SUPPORT

It has been generally believed McDaniel will have the support of the Dickmann organization in St. Louis, although Mayor Dickmann has not pesonally come out for him. Justice of the Peace James H. Miller, one of the leaders of the faction opposed to the Dickmann administration, has assured McDaniel of his support.

McDaniel's wife is Democratic national committeewoman from Missouri.

STATE EMPLOYES MAY GET PRE-YULE CHECKS

Jefferson City, December 9.—It looked today as though the state employes might get their pre-Christmas paychecks after all.

W. A. Holloway, chief clerk in the State Auditor's office, said an unexpected windfall—a $272,000 inheritance tax payment on the estate of Mrs. Minnie M. Howard of St. Louis—had bolstered the general revenue fund to the point where pay roll funds were assured.

The pay roll amounts to about $400,000 a month, Holloway said.

At the start of this month, with only $62,000 in the general revenue funds, officials said it was duobtful if they could follow their past custom of issuing December pay checks in time for employes to use them in their Christmas shopping. In fact, for a time it seemed the state would have difficulty meeting the pay roll on the regular date at the close of the month.

More than half of the 30,000,000 families in the United States use gas for cooking purposes.

PRESERVE THE GREAT AMERICAN CHRISTMAS



SAFETY PRESERVES HAPPINESS

By Fred W. Braun
The Safety Man

Compare the happy, peaceful Christmas America will enjoy this year with that of war-torn European countries — countries in which Christmas has for ages, been celebrated with traditional gaiety and enjoyment—a day filled with age-old customs, many of which were brought to America by our forefathers and have become established customs here. We will enjoy them this year as usual. They will be missed by the people of Europe because "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" has been forgotten for the moment. Let us be thankful for the happiness that is ours as Americans! Let us preserve it by keeping America free from those elements that destroy it.

We in America do have one danger to face in our daily lives—the danger of accident—the one menace that stands ready to destroy our happiness at the first slip of carelessness. In the factory, on the road, in the home, the danger of accident exists night and day. Nearly 100,000 lives were snuffed out last year by this messenger of death—many thousands of them by automobile accident. Let us checkmate this danger by carefulness! Whatever you do, wherever you go—especially in your car during the holidays, be careful! Driving conditions, especially icy streets, in sleet, snow and darkness, should be considered and your speed and alertness gauged accordingly. America is free from the detructive forces of war—keep your home, your family, and yourself free from the disaster of accident!

Thomas Jefferson, in writing his own epitaph, made no mention of being President and left specific directions that "not a word more" be added to his copy.

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DISTRICT GRID MEN AT LOCAL DANCE

Football players this season from Dexter, Charleston, Jackson, Poplar Bluff, Cape Girardeau and Caruthersville attended the dance given by Sikeston High School seniors for grid players of Southeast Missouri Friday night at the gymnasium. A special entertainment skit, and contests of jitterbug and smooth dancing were the features.

ATTEND A. & P. CHRISTMAS PARTY

The A. & P. Managers' Association of the southern district entertained employes of the stores and their families at a dinner and Christmas party Sunday afternoon in the Rainbow Room of the Idan Ha Hotel in Cape Girardeau. Those from Siketon who attended the party were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Matthews, their daughter and son, Betty Jo and Billy, Margaret Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Potts and daughter and Jack Shelby.

BABY TO HOSPITAL

The 3-year-old daughter of Fred Fears, of near town, was taken in the Ellise ambulance Saturday to St. Francis Hospital for treatment of illness.

L. A. W. CLASS

The L. A. W. Class of the Christian Church will have a Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 12, at the home of Mrs. J. L. Sutterfield, 233 E. Gladys. Mrs. S. E. Reed will be assistant hostess.



Watch Your Weather During Christmas Day!

Remember these old superstitions about Christmas weather:

If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be a good crop the following year.

If ice will bear a man before Christmas, it will not bear a mouse afterward.

Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the rest of the winter.

Wet causes more damage than frost before than after Christmas.

If it snows Christmas night, the hop crop will be good next year.

At Christmas meadows green, at Easter covered with frost.

If windy Christmas day, trees will bear much fruit.

Christmas wet gives empty granary and barrel.

A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.

A warm Christmas, a cold Easter.

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MRS. MARY M. JOHNSON OF GRAY RIDGE DIES

Mrs. Mary M. Johnson, resident of Gray Ridge for 23 years, died at 1:30 p. m. Sunday. She was born Dec. 28, 1868. She leaves six children, Clinton of Hazelport, Mich., Morton of Flint, Mich., Walter of Dayton, O., Theodore of Gray Ridge, Samuel of Boonville, Mo., and Mrs. Effie Haynes of Essex. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Gray Ridge Baptist Church, Rev. Griffin and Rev. Taylor officiating, and interment with Ellise service will be in Idalia Cemetery.

IS YOUR CAR READY FOR WINTER DRIVING

It is hardly to be expected that the beautiful fall weather we have been enjoying up to the present time will continue. Rain, snow and sleet and the consequent hindrance to traffic on the roads and highways is to be expected.

Are you as well as your car in proper condition to meet the hazords of winter driving? If not, here are a few simple rules which should help.

Drive with extreme caution through snow storms, heavy rains, fogs or mists or dust.

In winter driving, be prepared for snow storms. Watch out for snow removal equipment.

Don't speed on wet or icy pavements. Drive carefully as spots covered with mud, snow, or ice may cause trouble.

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BEAUTY OPERATOR TAKES HAIR DRESSING COURSE

Mrs. Imogene Anderson, manager of the Sara Jane Beauty Shop, is spending Monday and Tuesday of this week in St. Louis taking special instructions in permanent waving under Frank Baird, Hollywood hair stylist.

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REV. TAYLOR GOES TO CONFERENCES

Rev. John L. Taylor left Monday to attend a state committee meeting for Central College at Jefferson City. He planned to go to Nashville, Tenn., to attend a meeting of deans of Methodists' pastors' schools Tuesday and Wednesday.

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The P. C. Editor Says:

Every single problem of either a social or economic nature that troubles the Nation today had its inception and grew to maturity in the twelve years of Republican misrule and gross neglect and indifference prior to 1933. They are mournful hangovers from past G. O. P. regimes.

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We hear a lot about those great big he men that play football, but read this: Vern Miller of Milwaukee, Wis., 274-pound Harvard football tackle, offered his services today as a "baby tender". Another Harvard athlete, Track Captain James D. Lightbody, Jr., of Glencoe, Ill., already has passed his first test as a male nurse. He tended Richard W. Simmers, Jr., 2, yesterday, and Mrs. Simmers said he handled the child "marvelously." Twenty-five students are avaliable as "baby tenders" at a rate of 20 cents an hour until midnight and 50 cents an hour thereafter, plus carfare.—Jackson Cash-Book.

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"This is a small world," people often say, when they meet someone who know someone they know. The world seems quite large when you try to find people who owe you money.

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This paper expects to remain "neutral" in the 1940 primary campaign, and we do not even know whether Senator Harry Truman expects to be a candidate for re-election, but we do think that credit should be given where credit is due. Senator Truman was elected to the U. S. Senate by the Democratic voters and he has never let them down. He has made a fine record and has always been found fighting squarely behind President Roosevelt — and that is more than can be said for Missouri's other senator.—Illmo Jimplicute.

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The only person we know of who refuses to be convinced the United States is going to keep out of the European War is our old optimist, Herbert Hoover, who still professes fear the Democrats will get us mined, submarined or bombed. Likely he thinks the war is just around the same corner he vainly looked for prosperity. He terms the Democrats as "the war party." Senator Robert Taft might be added to the doubters as he cannot believe the people will trust their peace to the Democratic party. It is true that the Democrats, with all of the dictating ascribed to Roosevelt, have not started any trouble with such little powers as Nicaragua. Just who was it that sent the marines down there? And who was it that called out the army to protect Washington from the unemployed World War veterans? We are so absent minded we are afraid to name the political war party.—Shelbina Democrat.

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It seems that a Sikeston young Miss was having her first date and her mother sought to give her a little advice. "Now, daughter, your boy friend will likely take you to the movie, then to the ice cream parlor, and likely ask you to go for a drive the beautiful moonlight night, and you will go. Then he will ask you to sit a bit closer to him, and you doubtless will, then he will tell you to lay your head on his shoulder, then is when I will be worried". And sure enough this routine was followed out, but when it came to pass that he asked her to lay her head on his shoulder, she remembered about her mother being worried at this stage of the ride, so she said: "No you don't, you lay your head on my shoulder and then your mother can do the worrying."

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Unless steps are taken soon the roadside squatters will give Southeast Missouri another lot of publicity that is anything but enviable. We hear of tracts of land being sold, the farmers, renters, or sharecroppers, whichever you may call them will be disposessed in order to make room for outside labor who will be brought in by the new landowners, and with no place to go will have to camp on the roadside. It is our understanding that a number of these renters have their live stock and farm machinery, all of which will have to be sacrificed unless some farm land is provided and a house to live in. It is dead wrong to bring outside farm labor into this section when there is plenty here at their call, thereby turning local labor out of house to suffer.

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27-Year Old History of County Extension Work, Future Goals Related by Agent's Office

Started in 1913 and Expanded to Major Agency, Aiding Farmers by Promoting New Methods in Agricultural Pursuits

County Agent Leon M. Lane, Assistant Agent C. M. Christy and Miss Ella Kikuart, home demonstration agent, and Farm Bureau members have compiled a summary of extension work in Scott County from 1913 to 1939, beginning with the activities of the first county agent and extending to the objectives and problems of the coming year.

Because of the interest and foresightedness of a progressive group of citizens of Sikeston, a committee consisting of L. D. Baker, G. B. Greer, J. P. Ranney, C. F. McMullin, A. J. Matthews, Frank Smith, and J. M. Sitzes, was appointed March 31, 1913, to secure the services of a farm advisor. Through contact with D. H. Doan of the Missouri College of Agriculture the services of H. B. Derr were secured as county farm advisor." Mr. Derr's salary was paid one-fourth from federal funds, one-fourth from state funds and one-half from local sources. In securing this money, the County Court provided $1000, the Sikeston School Board $250 and farmers $1 each for membership in a farm organization.

Mr. Derr went to work September 15, 1913. Monday morning he spent in the office in the Hoosier Land Company Building in Sikeston. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday he visited farmers and Saturday in the office at Benton. Mr. Derr worked on treating hogs for cholera, teaching farmers to judge corn and small grains, preached saving barnyard manure, and organized boys and girls clubs on seed corn selection and canning. Farmers institutes were held at which time information on agriculture and home economics were discussed. At one of these, in 1914, information was given on ferilizing corn and wheat and profitable poultry production by Professor H. L. Kempster of the Missouri College of Agriculture. Township fairs and farm bureau local organizations were encouraged.

1915 RECORD

In 1915 Mr. Deer, reports 527 farm visits, 3028 office calls, 73 news items, 991 telephone calls, 1908 personal letters, 3624 miles traveled by rail and 3132 miles by road, 4204 hogs vaccinated for cholera, 22 farmers growing seed corn according to recommendations, 175 acres of orchards sprayed, 50 manure spreaders purchased, 1200 acres tested for acidity, 150 tons of lime used, 300 acres of alfalfa seeded.

In 1915, Miss Addie Root of the Missouri College of Agriculture gave demonstrations to 100 women and high school girls in the basement of the Oran Methodist Church on canning, giving the same demonstration at New Hamburg, Illmo, and Benton. At one of the 4-H club contests sponsored by Mr. Derr in New Hamburg, in 1917, Syril Stehr placed first, Joseph Bucher, second, Leo Hamm, third, and Albert Diebold, fourth, in election of seed corn.

CHANGES IN AGENTS

On Oct. 1, 1917, Mr. Derr resigned, J. H. Slaughter was selected by the Farm Bureau Board, R. L. Harrison of Morley, being president at that time. Mr. Slaughter resigned January 1, 1918, and John Stinson was secured until A. N. Smith was hired February 12. Mr. Smith carried on the work started by Mr. Derr; however, this being during the war period, intensive work on increasing wheat and corn yields took up most of his time. So important was wheat production that Mr. Smith appointed a thrasher committee, whose duty it was to see that all thrashers operated at maximum efficiency. The Sikeston Chamber of Commerce assisted Mr. Smith with 4-H club work in seed corn selection and canning. In September, 1918, Mr. Smith resigned because of a ruling of the County Court no more expense money could be allowed.

FORM SEMO BUREAU

Scott County was without an agent until Oct. 6, 1919, when A. I. Ford, then state agent, was hired by the County Court. The Southeast Missouri Agriculture Bureau became active in 1919, assisting agricultural agents with hog cholera vaccination, encouraging production of quality livestock, especially Poland China hogs and Aberdeen Angus Cattle, with the primary interest being to boost Southeast Missouri and attract people to this area. This Bureau was made up of influential farmers from the counties of Mississippi, New Madrid, Scott and Stoddard. Such men as Thad Snow, Judge X. Caverno, E. C. Matthews, W. H. Sikes, were active in this organization. It was during this period that county farm bureaus joined this organization rather than affilliating with the State Federation.

In 1929 the Farm Bureau membership of Scott County was 738 farmers under the leadership of L. D. Baker, president. Such organizations as the Guernsey Breeders Association, the Poland China Breeders Association and the Melon Growers Association, were active. In 1921, A. I. Ford resigned and was replaced by W. E. Ford. It was during this year that the Farm Bureau gave the 4-H club boys who obtained highest yield in their corn work and girls who did outstanding work in canning, a free trip to Farmer's Week at Columbia. Ten ex-soldiers were also given the free trip. The Oran Canning Club won first place at Farmer's Week on a canning exhibit.

COTTON CO-OPERATIVE

In 1923, W. E. Ford Resigned and A. J. Renner became County Agent in February. Prior to Mr. Renner's time, agents had done their work through farm visits, personal contacts, exhibits, and contests in cooperation with marketing associations and the Southeast Missouri Agriculture Bureau. During the period of the war, expansion of crop land and increased wheat and corn yields were of primary interests. The Missouri Cotton Grower's Cooperative was organized and work was started on varieties to be used by Scott County cotton farmers. Mr. Renner was assisted in the work by the Agriculture Bureau: John M. Montgomery of Dexter, president; A. I. Ford, Secretary; W. H. Sikes, Judge X. Caverno, Thad Snow, J. H. Moore, all men interested in seeing extension work progress.

Though there had been some program planning work done immediately after the war, Mr. Renner was the first man to attempt planning with people in the community, five communities being included. These groups planned to have 4-H club work, desired the Farm Bureau to purchase Acala cotton seed to seed 100 acres; to set up a lime crusher at Illmo; control melon pests; to organize a bee keepers' association; assist on orchard spraying; soil management work on sand land; demonstration on teaching women to make hats and mens clothing; to teach care of the sick and health work; poultry flock management demonstrations; assist with exhibit work. The Sikeston Fair was at its height and the Benton Neighbor Day starting.

In 1931, Mr. Renner resigned, followed by R. L. Furry, May 30. Mr. Furry continued the work started by Mr. Renner much in the same manner increasing emphasis on 4-H club work, poultry and dairy. 4-H club work reached its peak in Scott County in 1933. Thirty-four 4-H clubs with 288 members were organized. Eighteen of these clubs were with whites and 16 with negroes.

Other than AAA work in 1934 and 1935, control of garden and melon insect pests, a little work on poultry, and publicity on these problems, was the extent of the extension program in the county.

LAND-USE PLANNING

In 1936 land-use planning was started. The county was divided into areas, soil types and farming systems determining the boundries. Recommendations were made as to farming system to be followed in each. To date very little use has been made of this excellent work. Mr. Furry died in February, 1936, and was followed by F. B. Veatch, Jr. May 1, 1939, Mr. Veatch resigned and was followed by Leon M. Lane.

Beginning with the Agriculture Conservation Program in 1936, the Agriculture Adjustment Administration began placing more of the responsibility for administration in the hands of local committeemen, turning the educational work over to the agent leaving more time for other extension work.

FIRST WOMAN AGENT

In 1936 the first home demonstration agent, Miss Veva Anthony, was obtained. The Head, Salcedo, Bleda and Miner Home Economics clubs organized by R. L. Furry were in a receptive mood for an organized home extension program. The McMullin, Ward and Vanduer clubs were organized during the year. All clubs met once a month with a planned program. The first county home economics program planning was undertaken through the cooperation of the home demonstration agent the County Council and specialist from the College of Agriculture. This program included not only food and clothing projects, but home management, yard beautification, home gardens, and child development with emphasis placed on 4-H club work.

Miss Anthony was transferred to Osage County, Jan. 1, 1937. On Feb. 17, of the same year, Ella Fikuart came to the county to continue with the program. To date the following communities have organized and are active: Benton, Illmo, Rockview, South Rockview, Owenby, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Valley, White Oak, Porter Switch, Diehlstadt, Lemon, Lennox and Miner. Seventeen clubs with an active membership of 255 will start 1940.

When the program planning committee of 1939 decided that home extension club work was desired in every township in the county, the County Council met, named and voted on the projects by months for the club program books. A well-balanced group of projects in foods, clothing, home management, yard beautification, home garden, poultry, child development and home health and sanitation, will appeal to women interested in better home and community life, was the unanimous opinion of the Council.

Some of the results and accomplishments, the people who have been interested in and assisted with extension work in Scott County may point to are: (1) the increased acreage of lespedeza; beginning with a few acres in 1931 for use in pasture mixtures, with better than 33,000 acres in 1939 for use as hay, pasture, and seed; (2) vaccinating of hogs for cholera, taught to farmer in 1913 by H. B. Derr, now a common practice; (3) seed corn selection started by Mr. Derr in 1913; now developed to registered seed corn production by such men as Louis Dohogne with his Midland Yellow Dent and the McMullin Estate, J. S. Kevil, agent, Missouri 8 Hybrid, (4) seeding wheat after the Hessian fly free date, started during A. J. Renner's time, now commonly practiced: (5) seeding early maturing, long staple cotton varieties; worked on in 1917 by H. B. Derr, continued by A. J. Renner, R. L. Furry, and F. B. Veatch, speeded by the cooperation of ginners by getting 80 per cent of the cotton land in Scott County seeded with registered quality cotton seed of D. & P. L. and Stoneville varieties, and approximately 98 per cent of all cotton in Scott County seeded with long staple varieties in 1939; (6) poultry production practices including sanitation, feeding, poultry house construction, control of parasites and diseases, worked on by every agent; (7) Assistance to Rural Electricification to the extent of seeing a 400-mile-four-county project now in officient operation; (8) crotalaria introduced and its influence spread; (9) pure bred sires for all livestock, encouraged by every agent; (10) soil-testing, liming, and fertilizing of crops; (11) control of garden and field insect pests and diseases; (12) 4-H club work started in 1913 with Mr. Derr; in 1939 fourteen clubs with 85 boys and 83 girls completed; 15 are organized with 115 girls and 95 boys for 1940; (13) education of farmers on treating horses for bots beginning with 90 head in 1930, raising to 2005 head by 231 farmers in 1937, falling off in 1938 and 1939, with an extensive schedule planned for 1940; (14) starting with assisting veterinarians in lining up herds for Bang's disease testing in 1933, one herd tested and ending with 300 herds with more than 4000 animals tested in 1939; (15) an Agriculture Conservation first administered by county agent, now in the hands of farmers trained to handle it efficiently, bringing more than $200,000 to farmer in the county each year in benefit payment alone; (16) Contouring of small grains and corn being practiced for the first time in 1939 on a few farms, although Joe Ruhs did terracing in 1933.

HOME EC. RESULTS

Some of the results in Home Economics Extension work to which leaders and workers may point with pride are:

Each succeeding year since 1936 more gardens were planned and planted to fit the family needs; better quality seeds and plants were used:

Yard, garden, and household insect control was practiced more each year.

Interest has continued to grow in the well nourished family to the extent that 638 families canned 143,187 quarts of fruits, vegetables and meats and prepared 108,780 containers fo jellies, jam preserves, and pickles, to help balance the menus during the non-growing season and reduce the grocery bill; 589 housewives tried to plan and prepare balanced meals the entire year; 624 home makers made an effort to improve the health habits of their respective families, particularly the children.

Fifty-seven families considered their children as junior partners in the family business and council and reported splendid interest and cooperation.

The ultimate goal of the well-dressed family has steadily gained in popularity until 604 families made 5568 dresses and 1236 fitted slips; mended 4840 garments, 23,552 pairs of hose and 19,848 pairs of socks, in 1939. In addition remodelling and dying was done. Since 1936, 179 pairs of leather gloves were made.

The attractive comfortable home idea has made a greater appeal with succeeding years of its advent in the program. Improvement was reported on 402 yards; 292 cotton mattresses were made as compared with 28 in 1938, and 15 in 1937; 566 pieces of furniture were refinished; 592 rugs were crocheted, hooked, braided, tufted or sewed.

Through the home extension program $141,593.60 was saved by those who participated.

The previously enumerated activities have been accomplished by county leaders, men and women interested in seeing Scott County a better place to live, who gave of their time, energy, and money to bring to Scott County the teachings of the Missouri College of Agriculture and practices found to be good by farm men and women in other part of the state.

OFFICE VOLUME

To picture the volume of business handled through the extension office and the Agriculture Conservation Association Office in 1939, the following statistics may be of interest: 23,519 office calls; 136 circular letters; 528,084 copies of circular letters; 8,957 individual letters; 1,384 telephone calls; 822 farm visits; 18,767 attendance at agents meetings; 246 meeting held by local leaders; 7,844 attendance at local leaders meetings.

During 1939, the Agriculture Conservation Association has given checks to farmers totaling $486,017.68. Administration of the Agriculture Conservation Program now being handled by the county committee, the agents can devote more time to other work. The Scott County Extension Program as planned by the County and Community Committees, for 1940 has the following objectives:

OBJECTIVES

To produce good citizens; Stabilize tenure of land.; to have good homes (where the necessities of life exist and the family is congenial); to have a good community (a group of good homes with common interests in schools, religion, good roads, etc.); to help farm families make efficient use of resources and time.

To conserve the soil.

To put the land to use to which it is suited.

Wholesome recreation for boys, girls and adults of communities.

Thruogh the work of the County Program Planning Committee and a Community Program Planning Committee in each of the eight townships in Scott County, the following problems were selected as being of immediate importance and should be the basis for the extension program for 1940:

1940 PROBLEMS

How to increase the fertility of the soil and increase crop yields.

Lack of home ownership.

Lack of opportunities for developing young people and how to provide recreation.

How to maintain the family and community sanitation and health in rural communities.

How to use home products and time to best advantage.

How to produce a profitable flock of chickens.

How to control melon wilt.

Records of early activities in extension work were secured from the newspaper files of The Sikeston Standard, C. L. Blanton, editor and The Sikeston Herald, Clint H. Denman, editor. These papers together with other local papers have always cooperated to get timely information to the farmers. This cooperation is appreciated by farmers and leaders.

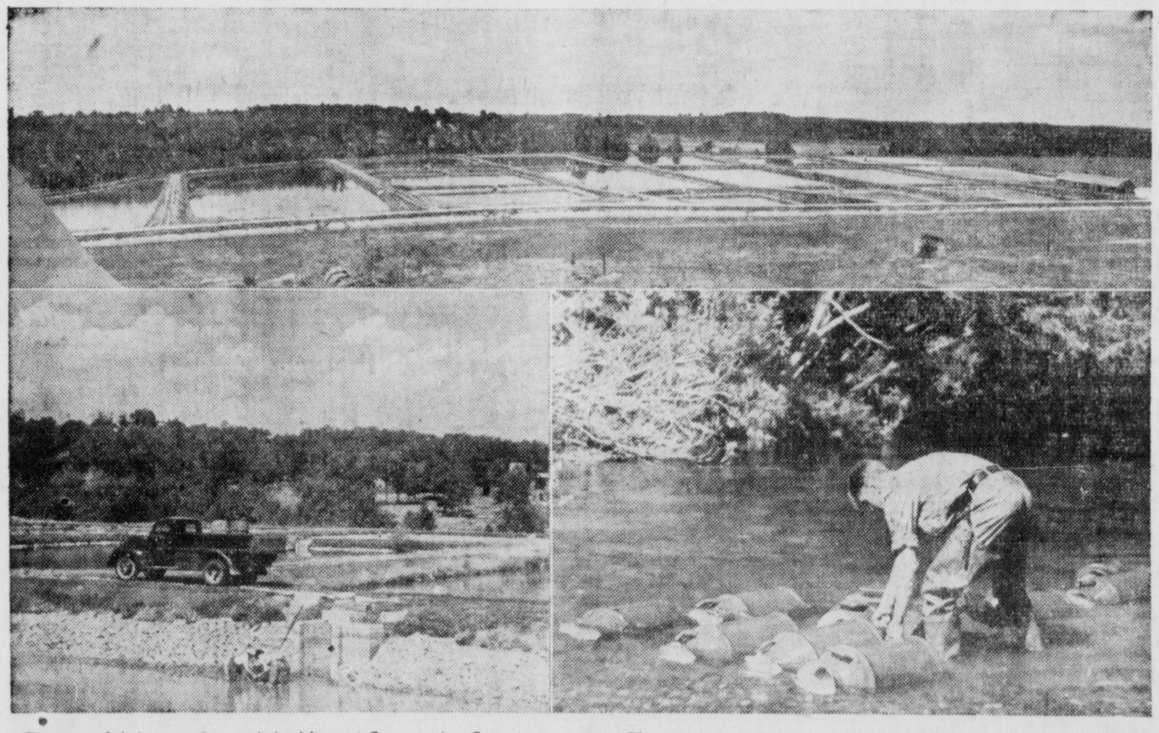
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★ FASHION PREVIEW ★



Home for the holidays is Blossom. She allowed December Cold Housekeeping to intrude on an informal record session long enough to photograph her in her polka-dot silk-taffeta dress with a tiny waist and a whirl-wind skirt. She wears suede, high heeled slippers but moire pumps are equally pretty with this frock.

Conservation Commission Helps Keep Fisherman's Lines Tight



These are fish harvest days and the Missouri Conservation Commission is gathering daily from its modern hatcheries thousands of game fish and planting them in public fishing waters of the state. The Conservation Commission produces and distributes to suitable water about half a million fish each year.

The top picture shows some of the 23 hatchery ponds at Chesapeake State Hatchery in Lawrence County, one of the state fish hatcheries. Lower left: Hatchery employees gather fish for transporting by truck Lower right: The fish, transported in milk cans, are carefully "planted" in suitable water.

Bulldogs to Open Tuesday At Morehouse

Selection of the starting line-up when the Bulldogs go to Morehouse this Tuesday evening for their opening hoop clash of the season was still a toss-up to Coach Vernon Green Monday.

"In all probability," Coach Green said, "the lettermen will get the first call." There are seven lettermen, DeWitt Lambert, Bobby Montgomery, Lee Bowman, Carl Diehl, David Lumsden, Billy Simmons and Art Swacker.

However, Coach Green said he would have a "first ten" instead of a "first five", and is considering trying several combinations during the game.

The coach last week experimented with several quintet arrangements in order to see which players worked the best together. Action in the Morehouse game may determine future lineups, Coach Green said.

Morehouse dropped a game recently to Diehlstadt, 35-14.

WPA Pauper Left $47,000 in Bank

Miami, Fla., December 9.—Charles H. Barnes, thought a penniless WPA laborer at the time of his death in a hospital charity ward six months ago, was disclosed today to have had a $47,000 fortune hidden in a safety deposit box.

His widow, Anna, and his daughter, Mrs. Anastasia La Plante, knew nothing of his mysterious wealth nor how he accumulated it.

Melbourne L. Martin, attorney, unfolded these details in Probate Court:

Barnes, 64, came to Miami 18 years ago from Jersey City, lived frugally but made little money and finally went on relief.

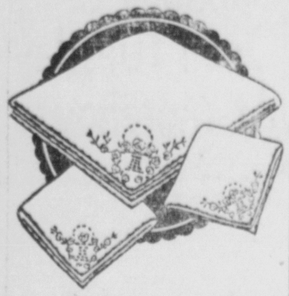
Two months ago the widow received notice from a bank that rent on Barnes' safety deposit box was due. She tossed the notice away, believing it a mistake.

Last week another notice came. Daughter and mother investigated. No key could be found and the box was drilled open. In it lay $47,000 in banknotes, some of $1000 denomination.

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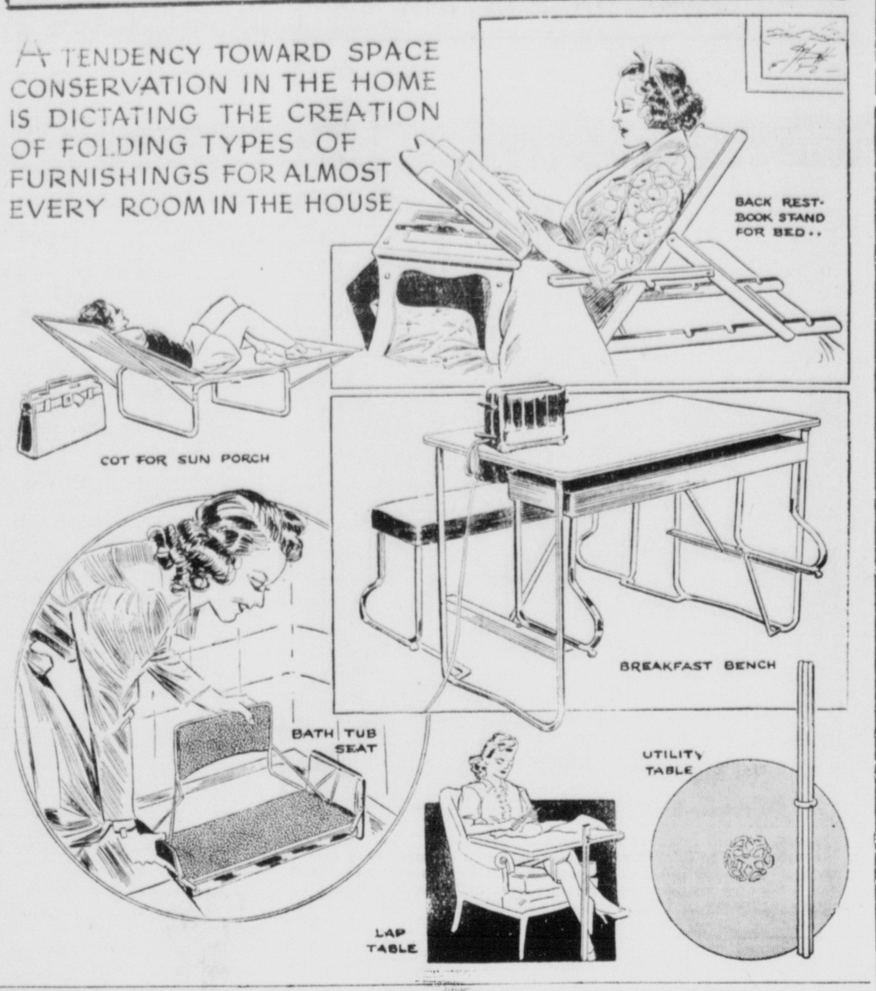
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PREMATURE USE OF LAND FORMS CIVIC PROBLEM

A problem closely related to that of providing good homes on a sound basis of financing is that of the premature subdivision of land, particularly that lying outside the city limits.

While normal city growth would eventually call for the use of some of this land, Federal Housing Administration land-planning officials feel that the practice of subdividing land before it is ripe for development has the dual effect of attracting families from well-established neighborhoods in cities and of creating serious civic problems, such as undue extension of public utilities, the need for new police and fire protection, and new schools.

With receipts from taxable properties shrinking, as is the case in many localities, and new calls being made upon city funds, municipal officials are becoming inclined to use every means at their disposal to check further deterioration of blighted neighborhoods and to devise means of protecting neighborhoods, new and old, which till are free from blight.

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"ANGEL" TESTIFIES FATHER DIVINE SAID HE WAS OMNIPOTENT

New York, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Verinda Brown, one of Father Divine's former "angels," testified in Supreme Court today the Negro cult leader once told her he was omnipotent.

"I am omnipotent and omnipresent and nobody can touch me, nobody can harm me," she quoted him as saying. She is suing Father Divine for $4476 she said she turned over to him.

"'Government banks all must fail, but mine will never fail,'" the witness said he told her.

"He also told me to be with my husband only as sister and brother, and to despise everybody for Father Divine's sake—my uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, even myself."

Keevey Frankel, counsel for Father Divine, asserted the plaintiff was "but an instrument and a tool" of forces trying to destroy his peace mission movement.

"Angel" Brown was resplendent in a Christmas green ensemble topped off with a turkey feather in her hat. Negro spectators predominated.

The financial acumen by which Father Divine built up a religious empire worth at least $250,000 may be disclosed as the trial progresses.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Otto Bratton of Morehouse was taken Thursday afternoon in the Albritton ambulance to the Southeast Missouri Hospital for an operation.

HEALTH DIRECTOR URGES COUNTY SUBSIDES

As County Courts are making up budgets for the coming year, Doctor Harry F. Parker, State Health Commissioner, is urging them to include health units for their counties in 1940. These county health units consisting of a public health physician, engineer and nurse make a well balanced unit for the protection of the health of the entire county in a preventive and educational program.

"So much can be done in the prevention of disease by trained personnel who are constantly on the alert for epidemics and other signs of disease and who watch the environmental conditions that affect health and can stop a diseased condition before the outbreak sets in that I am firmly convinced that these units can do much for the better health of the whole state", said Dr. Parker.

"Our nurses can do much in advising with the caring for the expectant mother; in supervising examination of school children for physical impairments that may become serious if allowed to continue; and in doing a general public health nursing program over the county."

Communists Control American Shipping, Former Leader Says

"TO-DAY the Soviet government dominates the most strategic industry of the country through the National Maritime Union of America, which has jurisdiction on ocean-going, coastwise and lake shipping. This union is completely controlled by the Communist party. Its president, Joseph Curran, and most of the members of its executive board are enrolled Communists."

The flat statement quoted above is from the article, "I Confess" by Ben Gitlow. In the January Cosmopolitan, Mr. Gitlow, former No. 1 Communist, discloses the methodical manner in which Stalin secured control of American seamen. He also says:

"The Communist party also established a marine school to train Red seamen and to prepare leaders for the water front. This school was situated in 1937 in Communist Camp Nitgedaiget near Beacon, New York.

"The National Maritime Union brooks no opposition to its Communist control, and resorts to Stalinist methods to retain power. Only recently, on September 17, 1939, a mysterious murder occurred in New Orleans. The victim was Philip Carey, a Communist member of the union's Gulf District executive board. Some weeks before Carey's violent death, the entire board had been removed from office because of opposition to Communist interference and replaced by obedient party members. It was common talk on the New Orleans water front that Phil Carey was murdered because he was giving away Communist secrets."

Premier Molotoff has been credited by many in the United States for the passage of the embargo repeal. His violent denunciation of such action is comprehensible in view of Mr. Gitlow's statements, since important shipping would thus be taken out of the hands of Communist-controlled American seamen.



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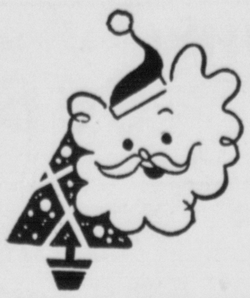
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SATURDAY, DEC. 16—

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WINTER TRAFFIC TOLL SPURS DRIVE TO REDUCE SLIPPERY PAVEMENT ACCIDENTS



Above: *Accidents like this, in fearful number each winter, have focused attention on methods of prevention.*

Top right: *The National Safety Council measured stopping distances at various speeds on a frozen lake last winter.*

Lower right: *Skidproofing icy pavements with calcium chloride treated sand or cinders cut stopping distance in half, Iowa researchers found.*

REMEMBER the days when automobiling was almost strictly a summer sport? The days when muddy roads in spring and fall, and snow-jammed roads in winter, kept motor cars in their garages from November through to May? The motorist who operated his car the year-round then was really a bear for punishment.

Paved roads, the tremendous increase in car ownership, social and business growth, have changed all this. Today the one who "puts his car up for the winter" is the rare exception.

Winter use of highways has brought many advantages but along with the benefits has come an alarming increase in traffic fatalities. So serious has the winter accident record become that safety engineers and highway departments throughout the country are uniting as never before in a determined drive to reduce the heavy casualty toll.

The most treacherous road condition the winter driver has to face is icy pavements. Snow-bound roads may stop or slow up travel, but icy roads spell danger with every revolution of the auto's wheels.

Tests and research studies to determine ways and means of reducing the hazards of icy pavements have been conducted during the past winter by the National Safety Council, the Iowa Engineering Experiment Station, the University of Michigan and others. As a result of these tests and similar ones now under way, engineers are developing methods of ice control that will place winter driving on a much safer basis in the future. The effectiveness of tire chains, skidproofing icy pavements with sand or cinders, and means of removing ice where possible are included in the projects.

The Iowa experiments revealed, along with other significant data, that the distance required to stop a motor vehicle on icy pavement can be cut in half by spreading a thin coat of calcium chloride treated sand or cinders over the icy surface. The calcium chloride treatment was found necessary to melt the sand or cinders into the ice, as otherwise the dry materials are easily whisked off the road by traffic and wind.

While skidproofing treatment of icy highways decreases the possibility of accidents, the measure must be looked upon as a means to accident prevention and not a cure. Along this line, a note of caution is sounded by the National Safety Council in stating, "In the final analysis, good, old-fashioned, careful, common sense driving is the best antidote for skidding and accidents on icy roads."

Engineers and highway officials are extending ice control measures as fast and far as possible to reduce the hazards of winter driving but the cause of safety will always depend to a large extent upon the headwork of the individual driver.

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DEC. 14-15—

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With Jean Parker.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 16—

"OUTPOST OF MOUNTIES"

With Charles Starrett.

Admission 10c and 26c.

Matthews News

Mrs. Martha Lumert of Portageville is here visiting with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Aubrey Lumert and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lumsden and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lumsden were called to Murray, Ky. Thursday on account of the death of their little granddaughter and niece Ann Overby Lumsden. The baby was only a few days old and was the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lumsden.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hawkins went to Essex Saturday where Mr. Hawkins went to consult a physician regarding his health.

Mrs. George Steele of Sikeston visited Mrs. Albert Deane Saturday and Sunday.

Billy Deane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Deane, Jr. is confined to his home this week with the croup.

Mrs. Alfred Byrd entertained about twenty-five little folks with a party Saturday afternoon from two until five complimentary to her little daughter Jane Ellen's fourth birthday anniversary. The afternoon was delightfully spent by the youngsters playing games planned for the occasion. The little lady received many pretty gifts. Dainty refreshments were served.

Joe Spalding returned to Murray, Ky. Sunday to resume his studies at the College there.

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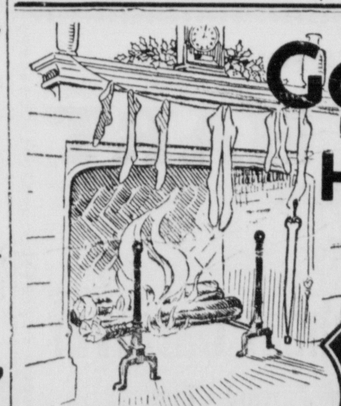
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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Depro of Sikeston visited Mrs. Hester Depro Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ashworth entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mills, daughter, Miss Clara Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Irbie Burch and little daughter and Mrs. Hubert Boyer of Sikeston at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Lumsden entertained with a party Tuesday afternoon for her little on Larry as it was his 7th birth anniversary. An enjoyable time was spent by the little folks after which delightful refreshments were served. Larry received many pretty and useful gifts.

A play, "The New Minister" will be presented in the near future by the members of the community club. Watch for the date. This play promises to be one of the best of the season and one everyone is sure to enjoy.

DISTRICT INSURANCE GATHERING HELD

Southeast Missouri representatives of The Reliable Life Insurance Co. were entertained with a business and social gathering dinner Friday evening at the Palace Cafe. A. P. Veasman of Sikeston, superintendent, presided, and J. S. Gould, assistant secretary, attended from the home office at St. Louis.

Agents present were M. P. Tinder and Charles Watson of Sikeston, B. Painter of Poplar Bluff, M. Graves of Potosi, O. C. Mefford of Cape Girardeau, C. Tally of Chaffee, R. B. Williams of Caruthersville, W. E. Newbill of Kennett, B. R. McCracken and A. W. Endicott of West Plains and C. O. Swannagon of Malden. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gus Martin, Mrs. A. P. Veasman and C. L. Blanton, Sr., of this city.

MOREHOUSE WOMAN DIES FOLLOWING OPERATION

Mrs. Ora Bradshaw, 51, Morehouse widow, died early Friday at Southeast Missouri Hospital, Cape Girardeau. She underwent a gallbladder operation there 10 days before. The day was removed to the Watkins undertaking firm at Dexter pending services and burial.

MISSOURI FARMER GETS 7 YEARS IN SALOON KILLING

Bloomfield, Mo., December 7.—After deliberating seven hours, a verdict finding Glenn Campbell, young farmer, guilty of manslaughter and fixed his punishment at seven years in prison.

Campbell was tried before Judge J. V. Billings for the knife slaying of Alta Swanner, 23, a neighbor, at a tavern near Dudley.

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Every Christmas most of us are confronted with the same old problem—someone on the gift list who has just everything—c seems to anyway. Not that she's fussy. My no! She always appreciates just any little thing you give her. But she's the sort of person you like to give nice things to. Well, sir, here's a grand gift idea for a discriminating person; just take a cooky jar—a big jar with plenty of room in its fat curved sides. Tie this with a spanking red bow and pack to the brim with spicy home-made cookies. Yummy Honey Date Bars, crisp Shaggies covered with a shock of toasted cocoanut, and fat old-fashioned Oatmeal Cookies studded with fruits and nuts. Here now is a good one for a starter—plump bars filled with bits of dates and chopped nuts, and crisped with a coating of crushed rice flakes:

HONEY DATE BARS

Cut into quarters—

1 lb. pitted dates.

Add, mixing thoroughly after each addition—

½ cup chopped nut meats
2 eggs
¾ cup honey
½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
½ cup rice flakes, crushed before measuring.

Spread evenly in greased pan (8"x8"x2") to ¾ inch thickness. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 35 minutes. Cool slightly in pan. Turn out onto rack. When cool enough, cut in bars and roll in powdered sugar.



OLD-FASHIONED FARE

For a stout space filler, make a batch of Oatmeal Cookies—big homey rounds plumped up with nuts and fruity-flavored mince meat. They're sweet and succulent made by this fine old-fashioned rule:

OATMEAL COOKIES

Sift together twice—

1½ cups sifted cake flour
¼ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt.

Cream—

⅓ cup butter.

Add gradually, creaming thoroughly—

¾ cup light brown sugar, firmly packed.

Add, beating until light and fluffy—

1 egg.

Add, blending well—

1 cup oatmeal, uncooked
½ cup chopped nut meats
1 cup mince meat.

Add, all at once, the sifted ingredients. Stir until flour disappears. Drop by tablespoons onto lightly greased cooky sheet. Bake in a moderate oven (375° F.) 12 to 15 minutes. (2½ dozen cookies)

NICE NIBBLING

To add a crisp and crunchy texture to the crock, tuck a few little Shaggies around in the empty spots. Sturdy little cookies season-



ed with a nutty whiff of peanut butter and topped with crunchy toasted cocoanut. You'll like the stout flavor of them made so:

SHAGGIES

Sift together three times—

1¼ cups sifted all-purpose flour
¾ teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon baking powder.

Cream together—

½ cup butter or vegetable fat
½ cup peanut butter.

Add gradually, creaming thoroughly—

1 cup brown sugar.

Add—

½ teaspoon salt
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla.

Beat well, then add sifted dry ingredients gradually, mixing well. Chill until firm. Have ready—

Melted bitter or sweet dipping chocolate
Shredded cocoanut
Pecan halves.

Pinch off bits of dough and roll between the palms of the hands into small balls. Place some of balls on lightly greased cooky sheet, then press flat with tines of fork which have been dipped in the melted chocolate. Press other balls down into shredded cocoanut, then place on cooky sheet. Press pecan halves into remaining balls. Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) about 12 minutes. Remove from cooky sheet at once. Cookies are soft at first but become crisp upon cooling. (Makes 6½ dozen cookies.)

IDEAS FROM INDIANS

A large scale model of an apartment house now being built in Brooklyn, N. Y., drew its inspiration from one of the world's oldest apartment dwellings. That dwelling, the five-story Pueblo Bonito, was built hundreds of years ago by the Indians in Chaco canyon, New Mexico.

The ancient Indian apartment, actually built more than 1000 years ago, has housed as many as 1200 people. Until some 50 years ago it was the largest building of the type in the world.

No living man can tell from whence the Indians who built that ancient apartment came. Indians, it is known, inhabited this country for centuries before the arrival of Columbus. They had built many different types of buildings before this country ever was thought of by Europeans.

They had villages, towns, trading posts and settlements all over the continent. Besides giving us a continent, the Indians taught us something about how to live in this environment.

Even in our everyday eating, we must acknowledge that cornbread, hominy, roasting ears, potatoes, turkey and cranberries, tapioca pudding, the sweet potatoes, maple syrup and maple sugar, chocolate, tabasco sauce, and many other cherished and almost indispensable dishes which are included in our everyday menu were given to us by the Indians.

Peanuts were raised by these Indians and they taught us the way to plant and cultivate them. We still like peanuts and peanut butter. For chewing gum the Indians ued the undiluted gum of the chickle tree. Some "Yankee" learned how to mix sugar with it, roll it into thin cakes, and make millions of dollars profit.

The Indians taught us how to hunt the buffalo, how to utilize his hide, how to make buckskin from the deer hide, how to use the bark of the cinchona tree in the pulverized form from which start we have evolved the modern quinine so useful in our treatment of certain diseases. The modern chocolate is only a slight improvement over the drink so popular in Montezuma's kingdom. It was made from powdered cocoa beans mixed with certain spices for flavoring.

The Indians also gave us the after-dinner smoke and the art of pipe making.

For centuries we have regarded the Indians as the vanishing race but in the United States we cannot now refer to them as such a race. There are now more than 300,000 Indians living in the United States and they are increasing in numbers faster than the white people. It is estimated that within another century, there will be more Indians in the United States than there were when Columbus discovered America.

The Indian is becoming increasingly more important in our population. Roughly speaking, there are about 200 tribes of Indians in our country, speaking more than fifty distinct tongues and spread over more than twenty states. Approximately half of them are pure bloods, but year after year, more are intermarrying with other races.

About one-third of the Indians in the United States are wards of the government, that is, not permitted to manage their own living and property without official supervision.

In government, Indians were essentially democratic. Chieftains, especially the war chieftains, had considerable power in certain instances but the Indians never held the European notion that "the king can do no wrong." Not long before Columbus came to the new world, the Indians formed a League of Nations (the five Iroquois nations) to abolish intertribal wars.

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Follow the Rules When Addressing Christmas Cards

How do you address a Christmas card to a widow? A divorcee? A business acquaintance? Here are some tips on cards:

Generally speaking, greetings fall into two classes, formal and informal. If you use printed or engraved cards for formal use, the title Miss, Mr., or Mr. and Mrs. should preferably appear above the greeting. For instance: "Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stanyon wish you a Merry Christmas," rather than "A Merry Christmas from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stanyon."

On informal cards, signed in ink, the husband's or wife's name should come first, although ordinarily the person signing would put his own name last. In general, the husband's name comes first. These can be signed "Bob and Betty," or "Bob and Betty Bentley," depending on how well the acquaintance knows you.

No card should ever be sent without a Mr., Mrs. or Miss prefix. An unmarried woman is always addressed as "Miss." A married woman, whether her husband is alive or not, is addressed with "Mrs." prefixed to her husband's full name. Since a woman's maiden name is used only on legal papers or when she uses it professionally, a divorcee's maiden name may be used if it's been established by legal procedure.

Cards to a married couple should be addressed Mr. and Mrs., even though you may know only one of them. If it's a business acquaintance and you haven't met the recipient's wife, it's permissible to send the card in his name only. Business addresses are quite all right, though there's a bit more courtesy and more personal touch to find out the home address and send the card there.

A family in mourning may send and receive Christmas cards as usual unless the bereavement is very recent—within the last two or three weeks.

WE TREAT OUR OLD FOLK WELL

Republican critics in an insidious and contemptible effort to dissatisfy our old folk, point out they are being abused because their monthly state assistance checks average only around $19. "You should see what they are getting in other states," they whisper. Well, what are they getting? What are the facts? The truth is that only one state, California, pays its old folk as much as $30, while only 5 states pay more than $25. The payments in 18 other states are approximately the same as in Missouri, while all of the remainder of the states pay less than Missouri, 10 of the number paying $10 monthly to as low as $6. All of which shows that Missouri is treating its needy aged far above the average—and best of all, Missouri's assistance checks are increasing in size monthly.

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Approximate figures of the economic strength of the nation based on the highest annual output between 1936 and 1938, follow: Population, 130,000,000; merchant vessels—tons, 12,000,000; railways—ton miles 360,000,000,000; registered autos, 30,000,000; crude petroleum—tons, 190,000,000; gasoline—tons, 67,000,000; fuel oil—tons, 73,000,000; coal—tons, 494,000,000; iron ore—tons, 41,100,000; pig iron—tons, 42,000,000; steel—tons, 57,000,000; refined copper—tons, 900,000; refined lead—tons, 467,000; wool—tons, 230,000; butter—tons, 1,500,000; margarine—tons, 200,000; wheat—tons, 28,000,000; rye—tons, 1,500,000; beet sugar—tons, 1,700,000; cane sugar—tons, 500,000.

The above are only the more important items of the economic strength of the United States—there are hundreds of others. What do these figures mean? Their significance is that even though all the rest of the world should be at war, we could get along very nicely here in this country. We could build a giant wall around the Americas and still have and enjoy all of the culture and benefits and conveniences of the marvelous age in which we live. And more important still, even though the civilization of European peoples should be destroyed in present or future wars, a citadel could still be maintained in the New World wherein that civilization might be kept alive.

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Evangeline Booth

So familiar at Christmas time, the Salvation Army's group singing on street corners and "boiling kettles" for which contributions are solicited, had their beginning in the youthful reformer of 19 who was almost stoned to death preaching in slums and denouncing "rum." Penniless and with four children, the Booths worked tirelessly in London amid taunts of critics, yet old General Booth lived to banter with jovial King Edward.

He also lived to see the Salvation Army become better established in the United States than in England, to see it acquire banks, insurance companies, factories, public houses, farms, hospitals and cadet schools, all the outgrowth of the "expeditionary" force of seven lassies sent here in 1880 under George Scott Railson.

And that has been one of the primary objectives of the past two National Democratic Administrations—to conserve and to organize and to strengthen the human, natural and material resources of this nation so that whatever happen in foreign lands, life may be still full and plentiful and abundant in this free country we call home. That is why America has been virtually rebuilt during the past seven years. That is why our soil and our forests and our mines are being conserved and saved. That is why our standards of living have been elevated. That is why the Roosevelt Administrations have steadfastly adhered to the policy of "America First." And to the perpetuation of such a preparedness policy, the Democracy of the Nation dedicates itself.

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Kiwanis Club Activities

By Bartley Schwegler

Mrs. Helen Reuber sang two solos for the Kiwanis Club at its regular meeting Friday evening at the Marshall Hotel. Eveybody enjoyed her singing.

Next Thursday is charter night for the Doniphan Kiwanis Club. A number from Sikeston expect to attend that night.

Plans for pan cake day are going forward as arrangements have been made for the Marshall Hotel dining room for Saturday, Dec. 16. Pancakes with butter, coffee and cream will be served from morning until night.

Frank Mount reports that the ticket sale is progressing nicely and that approximately three hundred tickets have been sold.

Large number of donations have been made for the pancake day. The Putnam Grocery is giving salt, sugar and baking powder; the Sikeston Grocer Co., coffee; Russ T. Cooey, lard, L. M. Standley, $5 worth of butter, and the Scott County Milling Co. the flour.

Also members of the Kiwanis Club have made personal donations of cash so that other expenses may be cared for without using the regular funds.

The next meeting will be Friday, Dec. 15, at the Marshall Hotel dining room.

GATHERING MISTLETOE

Preparing for the holiday market for mistletoe, hundreds of Missouri men and boys are gathering the treetop plant. Many others are cutting small pines and cedars for use as Christmas trees, and, in the lowlands of Southern Missouri, are collecting holly, but the gatherers of histletoe have the most difficult task.

The mitletoe is one of the world's strangest plants. A parasite, it is found only in the treetops, growing on limbs that may be from 50 to 100 feet from the ground. It is plentiful along rivers and water courses in the Ozark sections. It grows mostly on two species of trees, the sycamore and the black gum, but it is also found occasionally on oaks.

Gathering mistletoe is dangerous work, and only those who are good climbers attempt to get the plants. Men and boys usually work in pairs, one remaining upon the ground while the other climbs the tree and breaks off the mistletoe twigs and lowers them to the ground in baskets or by means of a string. This is necessary to prevent the plants from being broken, because they are brittle and a 50-foot drop would damage them coniderably. Many mistletoe hunters are injured and some killed each year as a result of falls from the treetops. The plants are easily seen after the leaves fall, because they are evergreen, and stand forth vividly in the bare branches; but they are almost impossible to find when the trees are still green.

The mistletoe has been a Christmas symbol for hundreds of years. The ancient Druids of England used it as a holy plant in their mystic rites in the forests, and in practically all of the old-world countries it was regarded as a mystic and sacred plant. It is known by several names, including "witches broom" and "tree thief." This latter is given it on account of its subsistence on the sap of the tree. A few plants in a tree do the tree no harm, but where the infestation is severe, the tree is often killed—in fact, starved to death, as the plants use the tree's sap and vitality for their own benefit.

Kiss the Maiden Under Mistletoe—But Follow Rules!

IT'S still a nice custom this Christmas to kiss the young lady under the mistletoe, but your efforts are in vain unless it's done properly.

Every time someone kisses under the mistletoe a berry should be plucked from the branch, for only so many blessings are bestowed as there are berries. And don't let the mistletoe fall to the ground. Otherwise its properties of good luck and healing will be destroyed.

Many a romantic story surrounds this plant. The berries represent tears from this legend:

A Scandinavian god, Balder, dreamed he would die. When he told his mother, the goddess Friga, she made earth fire, air, water and all animals and plants promise they wouldn't harm her son.

But she overlooked the mistletoe, for its roots were neither in the earth nor air. So one of Balder's enemies fashioned an arrow from the plant and that was the end of Balder. The tears of the heartbroken goddess fell thick and fast, and froze into the berries that we find on mistetoe today.

Having such a heathen origin, mistletoe is seldom included in church schemes of decoration. But despite this ban few maids care to risk making the legend come true that "she who is not kissed under the mistletoe at Christmas will not be married in the year which follows."

If you want to be lucky, remember the rules.

WARNS OF TULAREMIA FROM WILD RABBITS

With twenty-five deaths reported to date for 1939 from tularemia and with 58 cases for November positively identified by the laboratory of the State Board of Health, a warning has been sent out by the Health Department against this disease.

Tularemia is usually contracted from dressing or eating diseased rabbits. It can be contracted through an abrasion in the skin or the organisms may penetrate the skin itself. The hunter or housewife in cleaning rabbits must also watch against rubbing the eyes, as this also may have serious results. The use of rubber gloves during the cleaning or immediate washing of hands in some antiseptic solution afterwards is the only safe course. Rabbits should be very thoroughly cooked as any red juice remaining about the bones will harbor the germs and be dangerous.

BEAVERS AT HOME IN HOWELL COUNTY

Jefferson City, Dec. 8.—The 5,000 acre Carman Spring Refuge in Howell County in which the U. S. Forest Service and the Missouri Conservation Commission are cooperating in the restoration of deer and wild turkey, now also contains beaver.

Six of the seven beavers planted on the Carman Spring Refuge in Mark Twain National Forest have paired off, and each pair has built a dam on the stream where they were released. The seventh beaver also has built a dam and has been storing food for the winter.

The beaver were obtained by the Conservation Commission and placed on Spring Creek in an effort to impound and regulate the flow of water is this stream where the food supply for fish was being destroyed by the action of shifting gravel in the stream bed. The four dams constructed by the beaver vary from 18 to 30 inches and impound about three-quarters of a mile of the creek.

The beavers seem to prefer willows, dogwood and grapevine as food.

HOW TO LOSE YOUR INVESTED CASH QUICKLY

St. Paul, Minn., December 10.—In case you want to lose your hard-earned cash, George V. Riley, New York City, a hotel management official, has, he says, a quick means to the end: Buy a hotel and run it this way:

Instruct bellhops to look disguested at 25-cent tips.

Let waiters sit with the house guests.

Don't light the hallways; keep the guests guessing.

Never instruct a guest in the use of a Venetian blind.

Let the orchestra play as loudly as possible.

And, by all means, serve hot food in cold dishes.

The above, Riley told a state hotel group, will put you right out of business.

ECONOMICAL ROAD WORK DEPENDS ON EQUIPMENT

For proper construction and maintenance of the state road system the Missouri Highway Department owns and has available for use a fleet of cars, trucks, trailers and miscellaneous equipment. The supervision and purchase of this equipment are delegated to the Bureau of Equipment so that it will be at all times in a condition for economical and efficient operation.

The equipment owned and operated by the highway department has grown in proportion to the increased mileage of roads constructed and maintained, until now there are in operation 2022 units, exclusive of state highway patrol cars. This equipment is evenly distributed over the entire state, as the patrol system of maintaining state roads is used, and to properly keep it in repair and to store supplies, work and repair shops are established at all division points over the state.

The State Highway Department now has in service, for proper construction and maintenance of the tate roads a fleet of 301 cars, 222 pickups, 566 trucks, 152 tractors, 338 motor graders, 154 pull graders, and 289 pieces of miscellaneous equipment, allocated to the various sub-departments according to their respective needs and requirements.

Of the trucks assigned to road maintenance many are equipped for the attachment of snow plows and are used in the work of clearing the highways of snow in the winter months. A few rotary snow plows are used in the northern counties of the state where snowfall is heaviest. Light plows, especially designed by the department, are in general use on the system.

The headquarters garage at Jefferson City handles the repair and maintenance of all headquarters cars and special equipment and the major overhaul jobs that cannot be handled efficiently in the ten division garages. Included in the work done at the headquarters garage are the designing and building of special equipment and making and refinishing of roadway signs of all types and charcater.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

PLANNING THE CHRISTMAS CARD



Put the greeting right in the picture—that makes the finest type of Christmas card. And do your cards early this year!

HAVE you planned your photographic Christmas card yet? No true camera fan would consider any other kind — but it's wise to see that they are prepared early, in plenty of time for mailing before December 25.

Any appropriate snapshot can be made into a Christmas card . . . but the best cards are those with a picture especially made for the purpose. For example, a snapshot of the family carrying Christmas tree ornaments, hanging up stockings, or putting a Christmas wreath on the door. Such pictures can, of course, be taken long before Christmas.

The most ingenious pictures include the greeting. Thus, Johnny can be shown writing "Merry Christmas" on his own blackboard . . . or on a frosty windowpane. The baby can be shown building a greeting with his A-B-C blocks. Of course, you build the greeting, then step aside—but that doesn't show in the picture.

Cards can be simple, or quite elaborate. The simplest type is an inexpensive cut-out mat or mask, behind which the snapshot is pasted. In another type, the picture and greeting are printed together on one sheet of photographic paper. You can do this with one of the Christmas card kits sold at camera stores, or any photofinisher can do it for you at modest cost. And—speaking of cost — photographic cards run no higher than ordinary printed or engraved greetings, but far less personal quality.

Now is the time to start on your 1939 cards. Do it early—while you have plenty of time to do it well—and it will be twice the fun.

John van Guilder

CRITICISM MORATORIUM IS PLEA OF MINISTER

"Let us declare a moratorium on criticism," writes Rev. Mark A. Matthews in the Spokane Review. "We are in troublesome times. The President of the United States deserves your sympathy, your prayers and your assistance.

"It is silly, unpatriotic, disloyal and disreputable to criticize the President while he is leading the forces for the stability of the Nation, for the safety of the Nation. He is doing his best to keep this Nation out of war.

"Let us suspend criticism, support the President, defend the Nation, and thus keep our boys out of war. The President is doing his best. He has made honest statements to us. Let us believe him. It is our duty to support him.

"Suspend your criticisms. Support our President. Defend our Nation. Be calm, cool, serene, and remember God is on His throne and the Government at Washington is safe."

'SCARLETT' SELECTED FOR ATLANTA OPENING

Atlanta, Dec. 9.—Atlanta's own "Scarlett O'Hara" has been chosen but her real name will remain secret until she appears at the Junior League Charity Ball scheduled for Dec. 14, as a part of the celebration for the premiere of the motion picture, "Gone With the Wind."

The selection was made today, but the Atlanta Constitution, sponsor of the contest, carefully guarded the identity, and the judges were sworn to secrecy.

On the night of Dec. 14, however, the chosen belle will lead the grand march, wearing the green sprigged mousseline de soie gown which Vivien Leigh wears as "Scarlett" in the "Gone With the Wind" film. The Film premier is set for the following night.

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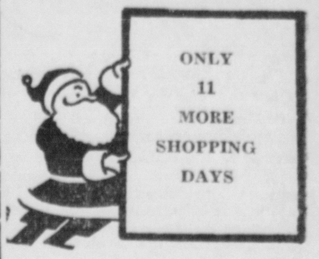
At Santa Claus, Ind., where they run a school for Santa Clauses, the instructor shows his students how to handle one of Kris Kringle's most important duties. A measuring stick, to make sure there is enough clearance, is one of the requisites.

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A weak link in our educational system is the fact that the average student is the one for whom everything is planned. Above standard youngsters are apt to be penalized simply because they are above standard. Many intelligent, high-spirited boys, for example, have been dismissed from schools simply because they lacked an outlet for the qualities of leadership, superabundant energy or other characteristics that go to make up leaders of men.

The school without a name is one man's answer to that problem. Rex



Life a Community Affair



DR. GEORGE I. BALDWIN

Beach tells the story in the January Cosmopolitan of George I. Baldwin, son of a wealthy Wyoming rancher, who gave up an easy life on his father's ranch to become an Episcopalian clergyman and to devote his life to giving boys a chance in life which they might otherwise have missed.

It is a conviction of Doctor Baldwin that society needs nothing so much as men of character and integrity who have the ability to influence those among whom they live. His school is a family affair, a partnership with a community fund to which every member contributes according to his ability and from which he draws what he needs. In periods when the going was rough, older boys withdrew from college to aid the Doctor in keeping younger boys there. One of the few requirements for entry in the school, which is now in Philadelphia, is that the boy be too poor to get along without some assistance. Far more candidates have been turned down than have been admitted. The other boys must approve of the new candidate; he must have what it takes to be a leader in his community.

The cow-boy preacher says he isn't much good in a pulpit. But a record of twenty failureless years of breathing life into the Soul of Youth should be as enduring and eloquent as any sermon that any minister could preach.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS FROM PARIS APPEAL

Governor Stark appointed a Chemurgy Board for Missouri last week. And now, dear reader, if you are through laughing, we will explain what chemurgy is. It is the science of converting surplus or waste products of the farm into commercial products. Henry Ford makes a gadget for all his cars out of soybeans. This creates an additional demand for a tremendous amount of that product. Mr. Ford predicts the time will come when practcially all the superstructure of motor cars will be made from things grown on farms. In view of the fact that America grows much more grain than her people can consume, thus creating a surplus which keeps the market depressed, the importance of chemurgy is very apparent. Success to our Chemurgy Board!

Well, he didn't get much out of life. This remark was made last week in connection with the death of a local citizen whose frugality resulted in the accumulation of a very substantial estate. But he lived exactly as he wished to live, had everything he wished to have, and experienced what all people desire but which only one in thousands enjoy, which was contentment. We don't call chasing over the landscape in a car, keeping late hours in mad frolics and wasting money in riotous living, ways to get much out of life. On the contrary, such things bring very little other than headaches and regrets. Habits or activities which bring contentment are what constitute real living. Also they lead away from the poorhouse and from dependence on public or private bounty in old age. The most pathetic and unhappy creature in this world is the individual or family which comes to want after years of frivolous and wasteful living, years in which no thought was given to the future.

By the way, what sort of times would be considered good times by the people of this country? When labor commanded big wages, farm products very high prices, and every other line of human activity would be prosperous beyond the dreams of avarice? The answer of the younger generation would be, yes. The older generation would have to seek another answer, however, when it recalled the unrest, discontent and fury in every class of the American people when unskilled labor received $5 a day, skilled labor $10 to $15 a day; when corn commanded $2 a bushel, wheat $3 a bushel, livestock 15c and 20c a pound or even more; when every man wore $12 shirts and $12 shoes, and when good $1 values sold readily for $5 or more in every store, and every pocketbook bulged with greenbacks. Any farmer of that period will tell you he was mad all the time because he was not getting 25c a pound for 5c stock. Any laborer will tell you he was mad all the time because it was necessary to do a little work for a lot of money. Any merchant will recall that he was unhappy because profits were not ever better and the volume of business even larger. It was the Golden era for only one class of our population, which class was composed of demagogues of the Jim Reed type. They fanned everybody into a fury by telling them they would be getting more except for the Government at Washington. Farmers became so infuriated when Reed told them they could sell their wheat for $5 a bushel instead of the pitiful $3 they were getting that they forced Congress to remove the Government guarantee, whereupon wheat soon fell to 50c. They forced Congress to remove the guaranteed price for hogs, whereupon fat hogs soon sold for a nickle a pound instead of the 20c they had been bringing—and there really was no more dissatisfaction than when their products were higher than a kite. What, then, would make us a contented people if prosperity fails to turn the trick? The answer is, practice of the Golden Rule and the habit of fearing God and keep his commandments.

BEAL WINS MENTION IN M. I. A. A. SELECTIONS

Charles Beal, former Sikeston Bulldog gridman, was given the honorable mention center position in the Associated Press All M. I. A. A. selctions. A sophomore at Cape Teachers College, Beal was graduated from the local High School in 1938. Turner of Cape won a guard post on the first team.

STUDENTS' PICTURES TAKEN FOR RECORDS

Students of the High School and grade schools had their pictures taken in wholesale lots three days last week to complete school files of information on them. The photos will be attached to the permanent record cards. Approximately 1350 students were "snapped".

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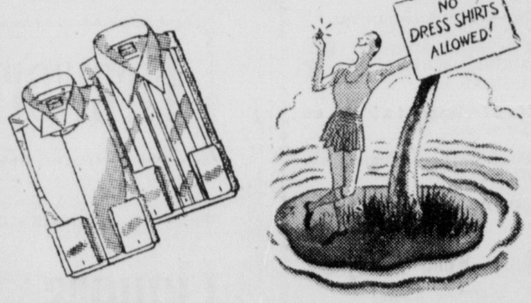
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Hints For Home Owners

FUSELESS PROTECTION

Circuit protection without use of fuses is now available. A new breaker protection offers a convenient way to restore electrical service in case of overload. Moving the handle of the fixture restore service unless there is serious trouble in the line.

Like many other requirs or improvements to the electric wiring system of the home, these new circuit breakers may be installed with funds obtainable from qualified lending institutions under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

DUST HARMS VARNISH JOB

Dust is an enemy to good result in varnishing, so when a job of this kind is undertaken it is well to remember that all materials and tools used should be kept as free form dust as possible.

Paint authorities advise that the rooms be kept dust free and that the brushes be kept clean and varnish cans closed except when in use.

GLASS SHOWERS MODERN

A glass-enclosed shower bath adds a modern note to any bathroom.

Ideal for the "extra bath," the one that does not contain a tub, glass cabinets accomplish much in stamping a home as modern and desirable.

PERIOD HARDWARE

Colonial hardware is finding considerable use in small-home building, as it is well suited for use on Colonial and Cape Cod type homes.

Authentic copies of true Colonial patterns are now being made by modern machinery and sold in competitive price ranges. Existing homes may be outfitted with Colonial hardware under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

DISAPPEARING STAIRWAY

Waste attic space may be eliminated by installing disappearing stairway and making access easier. Strong, rigid, and nonfolding, they are easily installed in either old or new buildings.

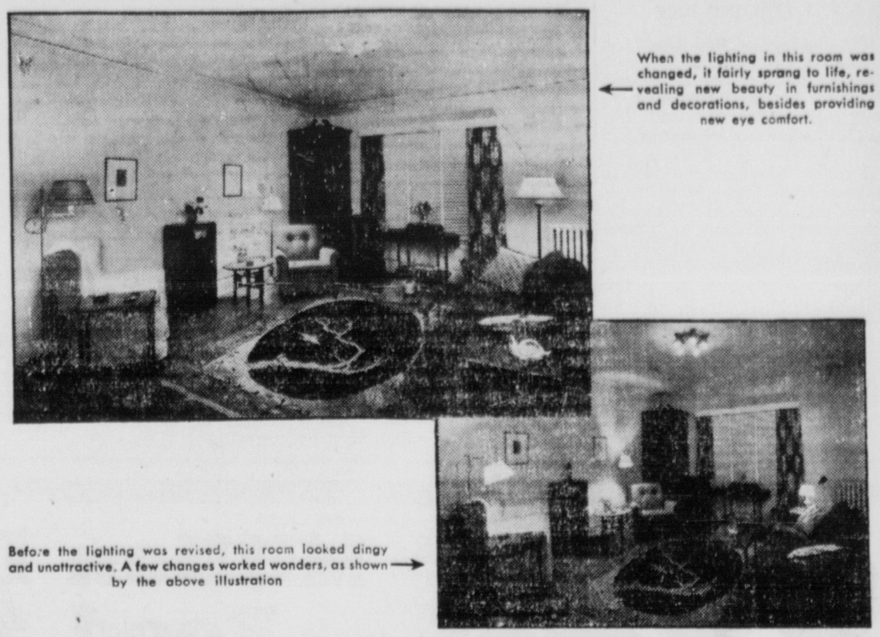
When not in use the stairway rests on the attic floor and thus does not take up valuable space in the room below.

IRON RAILINGS

Simple iron railing may be effectively used on both the exterior and interior of the home, but they find their widest service as a stairway and porch guard. Attractive designs are available for those who wish to add a decorative touch to the front-porch railing.

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Modernized Lighting Transforms This Re-Decorated Living Room



When the lighting in this room was changed, it fairly sprang to life, revealing new beauty in furnishings and decorations, besides providing new eye comfort.

Before the lighting was revised, this room looked dingy and unattractive. A few changes worked wonders, as shown by the above illustration

By Jean Prentice

WHEN YOU RE-DECORATE a room, do you remember to study the lighting? Here is one branch of interior designing often overlooked.

The new draperies that looked so lovely in the store may go "mousey" and dull on us under our night-time lighting. The rugs that have rich tones by day may be clouded with shadows by night.

Three girls found this to be true when they redecorated their apartment . . . but forgot the lighting. When they added new lighting the room sprang to new life.

One of the first things the girls did was to improve the appearance of the ceiling fixture. They transformed its glaring light from small bulbs into soft, well distributed illumination from larger 60-watt silvered bowl bulbs and small shades clipped onto them. Both the shades and the silvered bowl bulbs now direct the light upward toward the ceiling, to be reflected back into the room as smooth indirect lighting.

The next problem the girls took up was the modernization of their reading lamps. They improved the one at the left by installing an inner diffusing bowl beneath the shade, and changing the light from glaring direct to soft semi-indirect. These inexpensive inner bowls may be purchased for many older types of lamps. In the bowl the girls placed a 100-watt bulb. The final climax was a larger shade to give a better spread of light at this location.

Another method of remodeling was used by the girls for the center bridge lamp. A 100-watt silvered bowl bulb was screwed into the socket together with a little round reflector plate, placed in the top of the shade. The silvered end of the bulb prevented direct glare, and the reflector plate sent the light back to the chair. Note how harsh shadows have now been eliminated.

Sometimes a new lamp, however, is the only solution. This was true at the davenport where the old lamp was much too short and small for this location. And so a new lamp, built over the specifications of the Illuminating Engineering Society, was purchased. Its inner bowl and 3-light bulb afford flexible lighting for the davenport. Note, too, how it balances with the other lamps now.

Good Building, Protection To Spur Industry

The Federal Housing Administration, through its varied operations, encourages the production of well-built, well-protected houses in order to promote revival of home building and maintenance of building volume.

Among the many factors which contribute to a substantial volume of home building, FHA officials cite confidence on the part of the buying public in the product they receive as perhaps the most important. Such confidence cannot be produced through investment in dwellings which deteriorate rapidly.

Through requiring that at least a minimum of protection is given the buying public in the homes it purchases, the Federal Housing Administration operations tend to create and maintain confidence.

Double Action Kitchen Doors Are Desirable

Double action doors between kitchen, butler's pantry, and dining room are being included in the plans of many new home. Older homes may benefit from the same convenience, however, as regular doors may be replaced with those of double action, with the financing arranged under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

Double acting door closer can now be obtained which are concealed in the woodwork over the door. Hold-open features are regarded as standard in most fixtures of this kind. Simple to install and adjust, the mechanism is entirely out of sight and no cutting of the floor is said to be necessary.

Where double action doors are installed under the Modernization Credit Plan, the funds are obtained from private lending institutions qualified by FHA.

Hitler's Toys Outsold By Chamberlain Dolls

Neville Chamberlain-with-an-umbrella, the "appeasement" prime minister who claims to have kept Europe out of war last year, has become such a popular toy with British youngsters that the German toymakers, whose peace he "preserved," are griping. The Reich's doll manufacturers claim their exports to London have collapsed because Mr. Chamberlain-with-an- umbrella is the No. 1 favorite toy on the British isles. Many other "men of destiny" have been made into dolls this year.



MAN VS. FLEA

IT has required the resources of science to give man the stature of the flea. The most powerful creatures in the world in proportion to their size, trained fleas in flea circuses can pull tiny carts 700 times their own weight. Now tapered roller bearings reduce starting resistance of railroad cars so much that a man can pull a 114,000 pound car—approximately 700 times his weight.

HOUSING NEED CHALLENGE TO U. S., INDUSTRY

The great need for vast housing construction to meet the present and future demand for shelter in this country is a challenge to the ingenuity of both Government and private enterprise, according to officials of a large New York banking firm.

"Given approximately favorable conditions," the bank statement declared, "construction financed by private endeavor may provide a substantial stimulus to industry."

★ FASHION PREVIEW ★



That awkward age of twelve is circumvented in a December Good Housekeeping picture by a party frock with a wide, rayon-net skirt, little black rayon-velvet bodice and low-heeled patent leather slippers.

Modernization Helps Improve Home Livability

Almost each day manufacturers' folders appear announcing the production of new materials, new gadgets, or new ideas which will improve the home by their contribution to convenience.

While some of these new devices or methods may fail to justify their expense, many are worthwhile features which do much to modernize the home. Among those seeming practical, which may be installed under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration, are those which follow.

STEEL CELLAR DOORS

Steel cellar bulkheads may solve the problem of outside basement doors if wooden doors rot away.

Glass bricks may be substituted for actual bricks above ground in a basement wall to provide additional light for very dark cellars.

Ash drops in fireplaces are being manufactured now ready for installation. By means of these it is unnecessary to take ashes out of the fireplace and carry them through the house for disposal.

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Tiling for decorating the rim of fireplace openings is now available in stock sizes.

Double windows are now being made for areas where Winters are severe. The air pockets between the panes illustrate a sound insulation principle. The double windows fit into regular window-sash frames and open with them.

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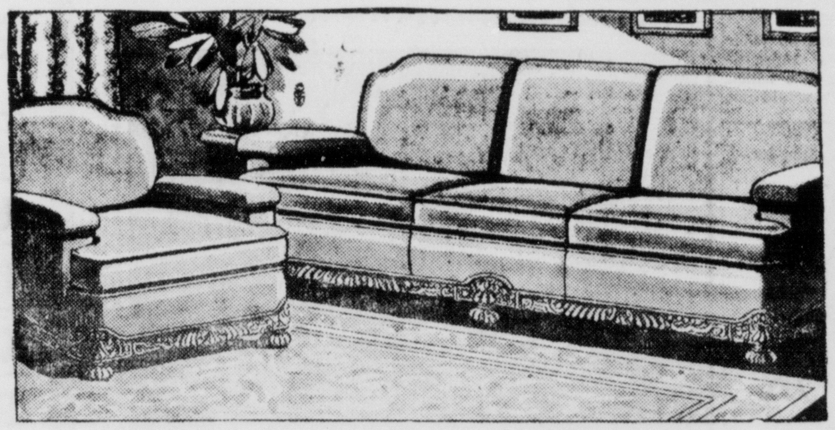
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Sinkey Stops Welch; Pacer Whips Bolt

Charles Sinkey, vain peacock of the squeeze industry, had plenty of opportunity to strut Friday night at the armory, subduing Joe Welch of Oklahoma in the first and third. Lefty Pacer, the Chicago flash, laid out Benny Bolt in a grudge battle.

It took 23 minutes in the first meeting for Sinkey to turn back Welch, using body kicks and a double jackknife. Welch after 10 minutes tied up the Mississippian with a Jimmy Londos toe hold, but Sinkey became master of the occasion in the third with a Japanese leg lock, in 8 minutes.

As usual, there was slugging, choking, kicking. Welch once biffed Sinkey out of the ring.

For some reason, Pacer and the Sioux had some personal feelings to adjust. adjustment came in form of roughstuff unexcelled. Bulldog Mallory, who refereed both matches, gave the first fall to Pacer when the Indian fouled repeatedly. Benny compromised Pacer in the second with a crab hold, in 8 minutes, and the playoff went to Pacer after 10 minutes with a body pin.

Welch pinch-hitted against Sinkey for Tiger Moore, who Mike Meroney said ran out of a match at Blytheville and was further barred from the circuit.

YOUR NEWSPAPER

Printing a newspaper costs money.

Every column inch in a newspape is expensive. Paper, ink, setting of the type, the labor involved, the most of machinery and power, taxes, depreciation, pictures, news services, postage and delivery cost are among the items of expense that go into the making of a newspaper.

There are a great many people who do not realize that it costs money, and lots of it, to publish a newspaper. However, the chairman of the publicity committee of the recent convention of Kiwanis International, held in Boston, is better informed and he expressed that knowledge when he delivered an address before that convention.

"The most unsuccessful newspaper in the United States," said he, "does more for the support of its community than the finest community ever does for the support of its newspaper. The newspaper reflects all community life, religious, educational and civic. Therefore the average citizen is indebted to his newspaper which constantly brings to him the news of local, state, national, and international affairs. Every civic, religious and educational group in a city is in the habit of coming to the newspaper publisher asking him to give away free the one commodity he has for sale. This is space! We would ask no other form of business in our community to give away free that which gives a livelihood. We would not go into a bakery and ask the baker to give us a loaf of bread. Yet the newspaper owner is asked to give away the space he has to sell perhaps not recalling that this commodity costs money to produce."

Still, every newspaper expects to give away space, and plenty of it. A newspaper would not be worthy of a place in a community if it did not give space freely to every worthy undertaking.

The Enterprise, like other newspapers, is ready and willing to do its full part for every community activity. This service is given as a matter of course. Some people appreciate what is given, others do not. However, a good newspaper does not give its service to its community simply to be thanked.

It is part of a newspaper's job.—Valdosta, Ga., Times.

Waffles Your Family Will Like

By Katharine Fisher

Director, Good Housekeeping Institute

The crisp crunchiness of golden-brown waffles is an epicurean delight the year round, but the gourmet rejoices most when, on a cold winter evening, he sniffs the delectable aroma rising from the waffle iron as the foamy batter is transformed into perfect waffles. When one of these toothsome delights is placed before him, with the butter melting, the syrup forming clear, sparkling pools in the depressions of its surface, he is aware that life is good.

In many homes the waffle iron languishes on the top shelf of the pantry or kitchen cupboard, forgotten and unused. It may be to blame, if it was a poor iron to begin with. But it may be unjustly condemned because its owner did not learn the secret of making perfect waffles. Perhaps her recipe was to blame, and produced unappetizing affairs, half done and soggy, or overdone to a leather-like consistency. Perhaps she didn't give the grids the care a waffle iron needs. Whatever the reason, her family is deprived of a delicious concoction that really is easy to make and a delight to serve.



KATHARINE FISHER
Director of Good Housekeeping Institute

There are just three secrets to be learned and remembered about waffles. Start with a good waffle iron to begin with, follow a good recipe, and take good care of the iron. So jot them down in your memory book now.

How can you tell whether a waffle iron is a good one? A good waffle iron should brown waffles evenly and cook them so that they are thoroughly done—light as the proverbial feather, and crisp. It should be easy to operate, and durably constructed. Waffle irons we have approved have the virtues you should expect, since our engineers and home economists have found out whether they are all that good waffle irons should be.

If you are sure that your waffle iron is a good one, even though it produces unsatisfactory waffles, turn to a new recipe. Here is a recipe we have thoroughly tested and tasted in our Institute kitchens, and know it makes delicious waffles with an electric waffle iron.

WAFFLES

(Tested by Good Housekeeping Institute)

Use Institute-approved Measuring Cups and Spoons. Measure level.

2 c. sifted cake or pastry flour
3 tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
2 eggs
1¼ c. bottled milk or 10 tbsp. evaporated milk and 10 tbsp. water
6 tbsp. melted shortening

Sift together the dry ingredients. Separate the eggs and beat the egg yolks until light. Add with the milk and melted shortening to the dry ingredients. Beat the egg whites stiff and fold them into the waffle batter. Bake on an electric waffle iron, following the manufacturer's directions for operating the iron. Makes 6 to 8 waffles. **In using an electric beater,** beat the eggs 1 min. using high speed; add the milk, and beat for about 1 min. longer at high speed. Add the sifted dry ingredients to this mixture, and beat for a minute longer at high speed. Add the melted shortening and beat for 15 seconds at high speed, or until the mixture is thoroughly blended.

One reason that waffles stick is that the recipe does not include enough shortening. If you follow this recipe you will be delighted with the texture of the waffles, and if the iron is cared for properly, the waffles will not stick to the grids.

Now for the proper care of your waffle iron: First, read carefully the directions which came with it and follow them exactly, especially if your waffle iron is of the automatic or semi-automatic type, so that you can take full advantage of its special features.

Next, if your iron is a new one, season the grids before using it. This will prevent waffles from sticking. To season, brush the grids thoroughly with an unsalted melted fat such as shortening or olive oil. Do this when the waffle iron is cold. Then heat the iron to baking temperature, and allow it to cool. When you want to make waffles, heat the iron to baking temperature, pour on your batter and allow it to bake. When the first waffle is done, discard it, as it will be very greasy. After that, waffles will not stick if you use a recipe which contains shortening. After the grids are seasoned, do not wash them. If particles of waffle do stick to the grids, brush them off with a wire brush of the kind which is used to clean other utensils.

The outside of your waffle iron will need little care, if it is a modern one. Usually rubbing with a soft dry cloth will remove finger marks and smudges. If batter runs out, leave it until the heat on the outside of the iron sets it. Then remove it, and clean the surface with a damp cloth. Sometimes tiny brown spots appear on the outside. These can be removed by using a small amount of fine scouring powder with a soft damp cloth.

Never immerse your waffle iron in water. It will ruin it.

When you store your waffle iron, see that there are no sharp kinks, bends or knots in the connecting cord. Do not let the cord come into contact with the hot iron. If the outside of the connecting cord begins to show wear, discard it and replace it with a new one of the correct type for waffle irons, and bearing the label of the Underwriters' Laboratories.

WPA JUNKS RULE ON RESETTING OF FENCES

Springfield, Mo., December 9.—Rescinding of a WPA rule prohibiting the resetting of fences by WPA road crews today drew sighs of relief from District WPA Director John McCann and Judges of the Greene County Court.

McCann said the ruling, made last spring, had caused "more protests than almost anything else that's been done." The County Judges, who have seen their road program hampered because farmers refused to donate right-of-way if they had to reset their own fences, echoed his sentiments.

The new ruling on the question, McCann said, provides that WPA workers may reset fences on road projects as long as the moving of a fence is incidental to road construction and is for the protection of the public from traffic hazards.

SISTER OF LATE MRS. E. J. MALONE DIES

Mrs. John Davis died Sunday in New York City, exactly a year after the death of her sister here, Mrs. E. J. Malone, according to word received by relatives. She was well-known in Sikeston and lived here about three years several years ago. She was born in Carbondale, Ill. She leaves three sons, John Davis of Belleville, New Jersey; Paul Davis of Collinsville, Ill., and Charles Davis of Kentucky; a brother, Charles G. Bridges of Washington, D. C. The body is being shipped to East St. Louis, Ill., for funeral services and burial.

A goldfish, after having been frozen 552 times and revived each time, appeared none the worse for the experience.

★ BAZAAR PREVIEW ★



GEARED for country-clubbing: a white checked wool coat with four slit pockets and lots of back-flare, plus a Buick "51," as highlighted in Harper's Bazaar for November. Beige skirt and deep red turtle-neck sweater complete the ensemble.

Severe cold during winter months is very essential to many flowers of the north temperate zone.

FOR A JAB IN THE RIBS

"What did your wife say when you came home tight last night?"

"Nothing, and I was going to have those front teeth pulled anyhow."

At the breakfast table one morning, I was reading in the paper where a couple in Colorado were buried in a snowdrift for eighteen hours, and I said to the waitress: "How would you like to be buried eighteen hours in a snowdrift with your sweetie?"

And all she said was: "Say, if me and my sweetie was buried in a snowdrift, we'd be swimming in twenty minutes."

Larry: "Do you know, honey, if I had it all to do over again, who I'd marry?"

Wifey: "No, who?"

Larry: "You".

Wifey: "Oh, no, you wouldn't."

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FRESH SIDE PORK 3 to 4 lb. Pieces lb. 10c

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Choice Selection of Christmas Poultry. Place Your Order Now!

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COFFEE Spotlight, lb. 14c 3 lb. Bag 39c French, lb. 19c 3 lb. Bag 55c Kroger's C. Club Vacuum Packed 2 1 lb. Cans 49c

RINSO Large Box 19c

Pineapple Kroger's C. Club 2 No. 2 1-2 Cans Dozen Cans $2.34 39c AVONDALE BRAND 2 No. 2 1-2 Cans Dozen Cans $2.10 35c

HEAD LETTUCE Large Head 5 Dozen Size Head 5c

FLORIDA ORANGES Fine for Juice 288 Size Each 1c

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APPLES Yellow Delicious, Rome Beauty, Winesap Bushel $1.49 Kinnard Choice Jonathan Apples Bushel $1.25

Yellow Globe ONIONS 10 lb. Bag 19c

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Kroger's Clock BREAD 20 oz. Twisted, 16 oz. Vienna, 17 oz. Rye 2 Loaves 15c; 24 oz. Sandwich, 24 oz. Home Style 3 Loaves 25c

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SALT 25 lb. Bag 35c 50 lb. Bag 65c 100 lb. Bag $1.10 50 lb. Block, Plain 49c

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The P. C. Editor Says:

A signal honor has been bestowed on our brother, H. J. Blanton editor of the Paris Appeal, by being made an alumnus of the Missouri University at a banquet at Hannibal Thursday, December 7. The honor was conferred by Baxter Bond, association president, who cited the recipient as an editor and curator. Jack is the only curator of the University that has ever been who was not a college graduate, and is the only curator to ever hold the position for twenty years under four state administrations. We are doubly proud of this brother of ours.

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Miss Blair Law, our efficient, pleasant and accommodating librarian, is leaving this Friday for Iowa City, Iowa, to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother. In the absence of Miss Law Mrs. Katie Cook will be at the desk assisted by the young girls assigned to that duty. Miss Law expects to be back at her post January 1, 1940.

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The attention of The Standard readers is especially called to the advertisements carried in this paper. Those who wish your patronage are asking for it through their advertisements and as this is Santa Claus season splendid bargains are being offered. Besides the managers and clerks are there to show their wares and make the sales.

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Government from the top down or from the bottom up—that is the choice which will confront the electorate next year. The Democratic Party favors Government from the bottom up. Help the masses first—the rich and powerful can help themselves.

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A gripe has been turned in to The Standard about the infernal noise made by sirens on the fire truck and on firemen's cars in going to a fire. This was a complaint of Sunday morning when an alarm was turned at 5:00 from a negro shack, and the noise awoke all honest folks who were sleeping sweetly. No traffic at this hour and why the noise?

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The Grand Ball and Cotillion to be given by the Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Sikeston Armory the evening of December 26 will be the outstanding social event of the season in Southeast Missouri. The finest dance orchestra in the United States has been engaged, the best dance floor between St. Louis and Memphis is right here in Sikeston and young folks and old folks for miles around will be in attendance. Tables and refreshments a plenty can be had and with the handsome ladies all dolled up in their evening gowns will make the evening one long to be remembered. Get your ticket early and have your table reserved.

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The Standard's Christmas Greeting edition will be published and distributed Christmas Eve, December 24, so get your copy ready and hand it in early. There is not a business firm of any sort that should not be sufficiently grateful for past patronage to acknowledge same through the columns of The Standard.

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The conciliation Service of the U. S. Labor Department has prevented 90 per cent of the disputes that came before it in the 1939 fiscal year from becoming strikes —4,750,000 man days of work being saved. Is't that a fine and worthwhile governmental service?

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Reports from St. Louis states that shoplifting is under way to stock Santa Claus. Not to be behind the metropolis we might add that shoplifting of things for Santa Claus' pack is being practiced here in Sikeston. This should be discouraged by the lifter serving a term in jail instead of merchants refusing to prosecute.

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The Spring weather here in winter time is pretty hard on merchants with winter wear on hand. However, there is plenty of time for long drawers weather.

SIKESTON STANDARD COMPLIMENTARY TICKET

This Ticket Will Admit
Mary Louise Arnett & friend
—to the—
MALONE THEATRE
Wednesday, Dec. 13 to see
"DAY TIME WIFE"

Oil Drilling to Start Near Commerce

Cape Girardeau Company Ready To Begin Operations on H. W. Dodge Farm; Nearby Hill Land Leased

They're going to drill for oil at Commerce!

The Diamond Oil Co. of Cape Girardeau, promoters of the venture, installed a portable drill on the H. W. Dodge farm at the edge of Commerce the latter part of last week and drilling is expected to begin immediately.

The company has leased about a thousand acres of land surrounding and including the Dodge tract, Mr. Dodge said.

Drilling will take place first in a field of the flat delta land at the edge of the hill chain that extends from Commerce northward.

LEASE HILL LAND

Leases mostly cover land lying in the hills, the farmer said.

The Dodge homestead lies at the west edge of Commerce, on the Benton-Commerce road.

The drill is capable of going 4000 feet deep, but the promoters are confident oil will be reached long before this depth, he said.

The drill is the type that uses a tractor engine for power.

Although considerable talk about searching for oil in the neighborhood of Benton and Commerce has been going on for several months, this is the first actual move to go down into Mother Earth after it.

Mr. Dodge, whose farm has been in the family nearly 60 years, himself is elated over prospects.

OIL INDICATIONS

While geologists cannot say positively where oil can be found, they can tell from rock formations where it cannot be located. The rock strata of this group of hills, known as the Benton Hills, is the type that has been found in oil-bearing localities, H. S. McQueen of Rolla, assistant state geologist, said here two years ago. The rock which forms these hills slopes downward to the south at Benton below the surrounding ground surface until, at Sikeston, it is 400 feet down. This rock familiar to oil depoits is not found in the Ozarks around Poplar Bluff and westward, he declared at that time.

William Crumpecker of Morehouse and a promoter had gathered a series of leases several months ago to drill on land east of Benton, but as far as could be learned operations have not been started yet.

Katherine Simpson Weds Cape Grid Star

The marriage of Miss Katherine Simpson of Sikeston, to John Crabtree, football star at the Cape Girardeau Teachers College the past season, which took place Sept. 3 at Corning, Ark., was revealed by the couple the past week. Rev. J. S. Compere performed the ceremony.

Miss Simpson, a junior in the college, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson of this city. She was graduated from Central High School at Cape Girardeau, attended Louisiana State University two years and was a student for two terms at the Cape College.

Mr. Crabstree left school at the close of the fall term to become associated with Mr. Simpson, who operates the Sinclair Oil Co. built plant here. Tentative plans of the couple are to reside here after Mrs. Crabtree completes her school work at Cape Girardeau.

Candidates for Carnival Queen

Girls representing classes in the High School building were chosen Friday morning to be candidates for queen of the "Junior Carnival", to be held next Friday night at the gymnasium. Juniors raise proceeds from the event to cover the expense of entertaining seniors and for other functions. Representatives are: Senior, Nell Hart; junior, Betty Jane Taylor; sophomore, Mary Emma Allen; freshman, Evelyn Klein; seventh and eighth grades combined, Jean Jackson.

Large Barn on Nick Darter Farm Destroyed by Fire

A large barn on the Nick Darter farm, 2½ miles west of Highway 61 on the Tanner Road, was destroyed by fire about midnight Friday. When discovered the blaze had gained too much headway to be checked.

The structure, belonging to the C. D. Matthews, Jr., estate, contained a quantity of grain and hay, and farm equipment, including a tractor, plows and wagons, all of which was destroyed.

C. D. Matthews III estimated the loss on the structure at $1200 to $1500, which was insured. The contests belonged to Mr. Darter.

Lose Jewelry To Burglar

Kendall Sikes Home Entered During Early Part of Evening

The "Twilight Thief", who has taken to prowling in North End homes during the early evening hours when occupants are away, broke into the Kendall Sikes residence, 601 North Kingshighway, and stole watches and other jewelry valued at $60.

The burglar punched holes in a bedroom screen, unhooked it and entered through an unlocked window. Mr. and Mrs. Sikes, returned at 9 p. m. from Cape Girardeau, found the house ransacked, dresser drawers pulled out and contents scattered about.

Three watches were the main loot. One was a ladies' Elgin jeweled wrist watch, and the others men's pocket watches, a seven-jeweled, octagon-shaped nickel-silver Waltham, and a 17 or 21-jeweled gold Waltham. The thief also got four or five dress pins, one of which had a chipped diamond center and was outlined with pearls; two bracelets, a fountain pen and an eversharp pencil. The jewelry was taken from two dresser drawers.

The intruder got into a refrigerator and drank a bottle of milk. A case of a movie camera was opened but the camera was not taken.

City Police and the State Patrol were called.

A week before, a thief entered the dwellings of Billy Keith and Dellar Mott, four blocks to the north on Kingshighway, while the occupants were away during the fore part of the night, and stole a small amount of change from the Mott house.

P.-T. A Talk on Young People

Social relations among young people was the theme of a talk by Miss Isabell Hess, home economics teacher of the High School, before the monthly meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association Thursday afternoon at the High School auditorium.

Miss Hess had circulated a questionnaire among pupils and obtaining interesting observations and opinions of the young people on dates and dating, and what they felt was the ideal age for girls and boys to marry.

A group of pupils under Miss Helen Campbell sang Christmas songs. Miss Adilda McCord had charge of the program.

The next meeting will be Jan. 4, at the South Grade School, and Mrs. Della Poe will be in charge of the meeting topic, "Health".

Weather Not Suitable For Santa's Sleigh

If the weather holds on for another 20 days it will be "sure 'nuf" June in January.

While tradition holds that Santa Claus is getting his sleigh ready for a reindeer journey from the North Pole, when he gets into these parts he will have to take to an airplane, automobile or bicycle —unless the mercury takes a sudden dip.

Recordings by Harry Young, government observer, show that since last Wednesday the daytime high has been in the 60s or better, the peak being Friday, when the thermometer soared to 72 degrees, almost shirtsleeves weather.

Only one time, though, during the early morning hours Sunday, has the low stayed above freezing. This point was 34 degrees, Monday afternoon, due to a colder snap, the high was 59.

Unusual weather has been experienced the past week throughout the United States. Pansies bloomed in South Dakota. The West Coast Sunday reported a heavy rain and snow which brought the first real winter to that sector.

Mr. Young's recordings are for the 24 hours prior to 7 a. m. of the day listed, so that the high is for the previous afternoon and the low for early morning of the date given. Recent temperatures:

	High	Low
Dec. 3	45	39
Dec. 4	45	23
Dec. 5	52	22
Dec. 6	60	32
Dec. 7	68	32
Dec. 8	67	32
Dec. 9	72	28
Dec. 10	69	34
Dec. 11	70	29
Dec. 12	56	—

Adds Trooper To Sikeston

H. F. Wickham Comes From Jackson, Making Force of Four Here

Trooper H. F. Wickham, who has been stationed at Jackson since he joined the State Patrol in 1937, has been transferred to Sikeston, going on duty here Friday.

Transfer of Trooper Wickham to Sikeston brings the local force of patrolmen to four. Sgt. Melvin Dace and Troopers John Tandy and V. P. Boisaubin have been the three located here regularly in the past.

Addition of a patrolman here was made possible when 10 of the 51 recruits to the State Patrol force were assigned to Troop E. Dexter, Kennett, Hayti and Fredericktown, each of which had but one trooper in the past, received an extra patrolman. Jackson is now without a trooper, but Cape Girardeau's staff was increased from two to four. The remaining recruits went to Poplar Bluff and Willow Springs.

New motor equipment has been ordered by the Patrol and is expected momentarily.

Trooper Wickham was a member of the Cape Girardeau police force before joining the Patrol. He expects to bring his wife and young son to Sikeston as soon as he can occupy a residence at Sikes and Hunter streets.

Car Stolen in Business District

Clark Madison, who lives at the east edge of town, reported to the State that his 1934 Ford coach was stolen Saturday night downtown. He said the key had been left in the car.

NOVEL PROGRAM FOR WOMAN'S CLUB

At the regular meeting of the Woman's Club to be held on Tuesday afternoon, December 12, at the Library Auditorium, a novel program on "Bells" is to be presented, with five club members taking part, and Miss Camille O'Connor providing a vocal number, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day." Members taking part in the Bell symposium will be Mrs. Robert Mow, Mrs. C. C. Scott, Mrs. C. E. Felker, Mrs. L. E. Ford and Mrs. Frank Schulte.

Hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. C. T. Old, Mrs. B. V. Forrester and Mrs. Calvin Greer.

40 & 8 Voiture To Hold Banquet

A general good-will banquet of the Southeast Missouri Voiture No. 460, 40 & 8, will be held at the Marshall Hotel this Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, according to C. L. Malone. At this time members will decide when to hold their "wreck", annual initiation of newly elected officers, which will take place at the armory.

R. V. Tackabury of Poplar Bluff, correspondent, has promised to bring a noted "firemen's quartet" of St. Louis to the gathering this week. Fleta Jo Wiedemann and Lois Ellis will give dances.

Changes Car Tag Agency

State Department Names H. Mattingly Deputy Commissioner

Herman "Humpy" Mattingly, proprietor of the Sinclair Oil Co. service station at Kingshighway and Center, has been notified by V. H. Seward, state commissioner of motor vehicles at Jefferson City, that he has been named deputy vehicle commissioner for this district.

Mr. Mattingly will have the agency for automobile, truck and trailer licenses, and operator, chauffeur and driver's permits.

Mr. Mattingly succeeds O. M. Arthur, who has been commissioner here for the past several years.

J. A. Farthing, an auditor in the state department, was expected here Monday to check in the agency to Mr. Mattingly.

The new deputy said he probably would begin business with the sale of the 1940 state vehicle license plates on Dec. 18.

Indications from the state office are that the Sikeston branch will sell automobile plates in a series beginning with 144-000, he said.

The Sikeston office serves a large Southeast Missouri territory. Nearest other agancies are at Cape Girardeau, Popular Bluff and Caruthersville.

To Set First Date Of Boxing Monday

Date of the first pre-tourney matches in Sikeston will be set this Monday evening, after the customary semi-weekly training period, C. D. Matthews III, chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Golden Gloves committee, announced Monday. The bouts will be in a week or two.

Mr. Matthews said he would confer with Lynn Twitty, Kewanee coach who is training fighters Monday and Thursday nights at the armory, on the dates and the local boxers to be entered. Men training here most likely will meet a group of fighters who have been training at Cape Girardeau, he said.

Open Cafe on Center Street

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Smith Sunday opened Smith's Cafe in the Young Building opposite the City Hall, on Center Street. It is a large cafe and has very modern fixtures. Tables and chairs, and counter stools, have the chromium rod supports and cushioning is in brilliant colors. At the front is a lounge suite for customers. A roomy, spic-and-span kitchen contains the latest equipment.

Besides the operators, there are five persons employed. Waitresses are Edith Coffer, Elsie Freed and Edith Keithly. Employed in the kitchen are Mrs. Mary L. Klingel, and the colored dishwasher, Oscar Summers.

BOY OPERATED ON

Frankie Marshall, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marshall, Sr., of Morehouse, was taken Sunday in the Albritton ambulance to Lucy Lee Hospital, Poplar Bluff, for an appendix operation.

County Votes 28-1 Favoring Cotton Quota

Scott Farmers Ballot 368-13; New Madrid Growers Favor Heavily

Scott County growers favored the cotton marketing quota with its penalty tax, voting along with other farmers of the nation Saturday, by a margin of 28-1, compared with the national margin of 10-1.

The official count at the county agent's office at Benton Monday showed 368 in favor, 13 against and 40 challenged votes. In addition there were 24 unopened and two spoiled ballots.

Richland Township, with farmers voting at Sikeston, polled the heaviest of seven townships, 124 votes. Of these, 96 were in favor, five against and 23 were challenged.

Kelso Township, with only two cotton growers, voted with Moreland. The township figures:

	Yes	No	Ch.
Commerce	25	0	0
Moreland	35	0	12
Morley	99	3	0
Richland	96	5	23
Sandywoods	40	4	0
Sylvania	28	1	4
Tywappity	45	0	1
Totals	368	13	40

NEW MADRID COUNTY VOTES 92 PER CENT

In voting 1384 to 113, New Madrid County favored the marketing limit by 92 per cent, 2 per cent above the nation as a whole. There were 1621 votes cast, of which 124 were challenged.

Vote by New Madrid townships:

	Yes	No	Ch.
Anderson	154	16	44
Big Prairie	177	5	0
Como	211	28	11
Hough	11	0	0
LaFont	132	11	1
Le Sieur	49	2	6
Lewis	135	19	0
New Madrid	209	3	48
Portage	152	18	0
St. John	47	3	0
West	107	9	14
Totals	1384	113	124

NATIONAL VOTE

Nineteen Southern and Far Western states returned a vote in favor of the quota by a 10-1 margin. The 803,059 for the 79,928 against was 90 per cent favorable, compared with 66.7 per cent necessary under the crop control law and the 84 per cent marked up in a similar referendum a year ago.

STATE GOES 11-1

Farmers in 13 cotton counties of Missouri voted 11 to 1 in favor of the quota. With only one township missing, the count stood 6437 to 593, and 534 votes were challenged.

Votes were challenged by township election officials whenever they believed the voters were not residents of the community, did not have valid forms, were voting from more than one farm or were not eligible cotton growers from last season. Each voter was allowed only one ballot, even though he owned more than one farm.

Results for the against, and votes challenged, are:

VOTE BY COUNTIES

	Yes	No.	Ch.
New Madrid	1,384	113	124
Dunklin	1,239	120	318
Mississippi	1,003	31	29
*Pemiscot	1,267	88	0
Stoddard	537	101	61
Scott	348	13	0
Butler	390	90	0
Ozark	15	1	0
Oregon	80	0	0
Bollinger	2	0	0
Cape Girardeau	2	0	0
Carter	2	0	0
Ripley	168	36	2
Totals	6,437	593	534

*One township missing.

BACK FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Virgil King was taken in the Ellise ambulance Saturday to her home in Miner Switch from St. Francis Hospital.

Landowners Would Cut Labor Problem

Larger Holders Seek Ways to Solve Surplus Before Mid-Winter Brings On Crisis of Stranded Families

A concerted effort to meet the mid-winter farm labor situation before it arrives was manifest in a meeting Thursday evening at the Library, when approximately 35 large landowners from Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid and Stoddard counties held an informal discussion on methods of reducing the shift of tenant and sharecropper families.

E. P. Coleman, Jr., Sikeston ginner and landowner, who presided, said no definite plans had been made, and the landholders were asked to solve problems on their own farms as much as possible to prevent, as far as possible, any families from being left without homes and farm plots to work.

FEDERAL HELP NEEDED

Due to the heavy over-supply of tenant and sharecropper families, the landowners did not expect to solve the problem, with its big variety of causes, and have all families located on farms. They believe it will be necessary for the government take a hand.

If the bulk of the farm labor can be taken care of during the annual mid-winter exchange of help, the landowners believe, the main source of agitation, such as created the world-famed highway camping episode last winter in Southeast Missouri, will be obviated.

Describing present conditions, Mr. Coleman said there were simply "more people than homes and land available for them to work."

LAND BUYING PROBLEM

A large part of the situation arises over the purchase of land by outsiders, especially by Arkansas landowners, Mr. Coleman said. If a small farm is purchased, the buyer and his family are usually capable of working it and any tenant or sharecropper living on the tract must move. Large landowners replace the present farm laborers with families brought from Arkansas or elsewhere, families the new owner knows are capable.

There has been the usual influx this season of farm help to Southeast Missouri from the south, without a corresponding migration the opposite direction, so the usual surplus problem is confronting farmers and social agencies, now that the cotton picking is almost completed.

PERSONAL SOLUTIONS

Mr. Coleman said the larger landowners, by checking acreages handled now by tenants and sharecroppers, might adjust in enough places to take care of two or three more families. In one instance he cited, a tenant on one of his farms had decided to work the entire farm next year and release a sharecropper beneath him. Although, in effect, the sharecropper was responsible to the tenant only, the landowner said he would draft next year's contract with the tenant to provide that the sharecropper remain on the land. Too, the tenant did not realize that he would lose government Agriculture Conservation checks if he removed the sharecropper.

The AAA expects to exercise rigid supervision over the tenant and sharecropper status of farms. Owners of land, tenants and sharecroppers have been notified by county committees that if the hired help leaves their present land, the party responsible will be penalized through the crop reduction payments.

PLAN COUNTY GROUPS

Mr. Coleman said the landowner hope to organize a group in each county. A meeting for Mississippi County holders will take place this Monday night at Charleston.

The groups hope to facilitate the normal transfer of labor between crop seasons. A normal shift of farm worker families can be expected each year, and the landowners, by contacting one another, can help locate a large number of movers who might otherwise be stranded.

P.-T. A. School Lunchrooms Vary Menu Each Day

A different menu each day was served at the P.-T. A. Lunchrooms in the High School, South Grade School and colored school the past week, the first week of the project this season. Two hundred to 250 children ate each day, and an effort is being made to serve milk daily. Ten women from the WPA are on duty.

Monday, potato soup, bread and jelly, fruit; Tuesday, kraut with bacon, beans, corn bread and milk, fruit; Wednesday, meat stew, bread and butter, milk, stewed fruit; Thursday, greens with bacon, sweet potatoes, corn bread and milk, apple; Friday, tomato soup, peanut butter sandwiches, fruit.

Boy Struck By Truck

Morehouse Lad, 7, Suffers Fractured Skull in Accident

Buddy Thomas, 7-year-old Morehouse school boy, suffered a fractured skull at noon Monday when he was struck by a truck on a street there.

The lad was rushed to Southeast Missouri Hospital in the Albritton ambulance, and his condition was pronounced critical. He did not suffer any other injuries except a skinned leg.

The truck driver's name could not be learned. Witnesses said the boy had eaten lunch at a store and was running across the street, returning to school, when hit.

The boy and his mother, Mrs. Mabel Thomas, live with her father, Daniel Fletcher.

Gordon Shy, 44, Dies Suddenly

Gordon Samuel Shy, 44, died unexpectedly at his home, 214 Daniel Street, Sunday evening at 5:45 o'clock of a heart attack.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Shy of Kewanee, Mr. Shy was born in New Madrid April 1, 1895. On Sept. 16, 1919 he was married to Miss Helen Cruchon, also of New Madrid and to them were born seven children, all of whom survive. They are Gordon, Jr., Gwendolyn, David, Richard, Lloyd, Harold and Helen Marie. Two brothers, Arthur and Howard, and one sister, Mrs. O. W. Lewis, all of New Madrid, also survive.

Mr. Shy has been a resident of Sikeston for the past four years, moving here from New Madrid. He was employed as timekeeper for the WPA at the time of his death.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday morning 9 o'clock, in St. Francis Xavier Chuch here, of which he was a member Fr. J. J. O'Neill officiating, and burial will probably be in the New Madrid Cemetery.

Collections of County Taxes Big

County Collector C. E. Felker reports his office at Benton during November collected $70,511.54 in taxes, of which $11,055.10 was back taxes. In October the office took in $44,066.88, of which $10,708.32 was back taxes. This makes a total of $114,578.42 collected during the two months, which Mr. Felker says is much better than for the two months last year.

CHRISTIAN LADIES' AID

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian Church will meet Thursday afternoon, at 2 o'clock in the church basement. This will be a business meeting. All members please attend.

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HARMONY POINTS WAY TO VICTORY

For nearly seven years the Democratic Party has been in the ascendancy in State and Nation—and it still is the dominant party. Splendid governmental service in Washington and at Jefferson City has enabled the party to retain its well-earned prestige, and upon the excellent record it has achieved the party confidently looks forward to a glorious victory in 1940.

A frantic attempt is being made by an ancient enemy, however, to inject a discordant note in the Democratic symphony. Predictions that the Democratic primary in Missouri next year will be marked with such bitterness and hatred that disaster will follow in November are being broadcast over the State. Fortunately the seed is falling on barren ground.

The Democratic Party of Missouri will nominate a splendid ticket next August from a list of unimpeachable candidates—men and women of honesty and honor, integrity and industry. The candidates will be judged solely upon their records, their worthiness of the office sought, their party service, and their qualifications. And the ticket, when nominated by a majority of Democrats, will be one every Democrat can support with enthusiasm and consistency. The primary campaigns will be conducted on an open and high plane, as befits follows of the immortal Jefferson, and there will be no bitterness or discord carried over into the general election.

The primary will be free of rancor because Democrats everywhere have awakened to a realization that the issues at stake next year will transcend all party personalities and overshadow all petty party differences and jealousies. Upon the outcome of the balloting will hinge the continuance of the humanitarian and beneficial policies inaugurated by present Democratic administrations; upon its outcome will depend whether Government is to be turned back to the lords of privilege and plunder, or remain in the hands of the people.

Our foe is a common foe. Our cause is a just cause. Harmonious action, unselfish leadership and effective organization point the way to victory—and the Democratic Party triumphantly is traveling in that direction.

DEMOCRATIC ECONOMY AT MISSOURI'S CAPITOL

The Democratic Party of Missouri not only preaches economy—it practices it. Irrefutable evidence of that fact may be found in an examination of the financial records of the six major elective departments of the State during the past two years.

The 1937 Legislature, according to figures obtained from the offices of Col. W. B. McGregor, State Budget Officer, appropriated $6,252,310 for the support and operation of these six large and important departments in the past biennial period. Of that sum, only $5,227,607.40 was expended, leaving a balance of $1,024,702.60 in the State Treasury, which amount was saved the taxpayers of Missouri due to wise and economical administration.

The savings by the various departments follow: Executive, Gov. Lloyd C. Stark, $33,710.36; Secretary of State, Dwight H. Brown, $231,582.93; Attorney General, Roy McKittrick, $138,163.46; State Auditor, Forrest Smith, $202,245.74; State Treasurer, Robert W. Winn, $111,562.37; State Superintendent of Public Schools, Lloyd W. King, $307,437.74.

This splendid example of Democratic economy in public office is without parallel in the history of Missouri government. The funds had been appropriated and any or all of the state officials concerned could have expended every cent with propriety and justification. They elected, however, to conduct the affairs of government entrusted to their supervision in as economical a manner as possible without the loss of efficiency. As a result a saving of approximately 16 per cent accrues to the people of Missouri.

Savings of a like but lesser nature occured in virtually every other state department under Democratic control, money being spent only when absolutely necessary and when the State received 100 cents in value for every dollar expended.

It is a notable record—a truly remarkable achievement by Democratic officials—to which the Democracy of Missouri points with pardonable pride and great satisfaction.

MISSOURI TAKES LEAD IN TRACHOMA TREATMENT

Missouri's Democatic Administration at Jeffereson City again points the way—this time in the construction of a modern trachoma hospital at Rolla, the first state-owned institution in the nation for the exclusive treatment of a disease responsible for more blindness than probably any other single cause.

The $137,000 hospital, now completed, places Missouri in the forefront of the fight on this infectious disease which shuts out the cornea of the eye with opague tissue. The state now has about 18,000 cases of trachoma and the new hospital will be the headquarters for a campaign which it is believed will result in the elimination of all active cases in this state within ten years.

DR. CHRISTY TO RUN FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Jefferson City, December 7.—Dr. John G. Christy of Festus, three times Speaker of the House of Representatives, announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor today.

The big, taciturn Jefferson County representative will oppose Lieut. Gov. Frank G. Harris, the incumbent who announced he would seek re-election two weeks ago.

"It is my intention to make a strong and vigorous campaign," said the Festus dentist. "Having served as Speaker of the House of Representatives, I feel that I have gained experience which will be of geat value and that I should seek a higher office."

Christy, 42, handled the House during the hectic days of the Kansas City police bill debate last session.

Trinity Lutheran Church of Norborne observed the seventieth anniversary of its founding, November 19.

NOTICE To TAXPAYERS

Real estate, personal and merchants' taxes for 1939 are due and payable.

After January 1st lawful penalties and interest will be added and collected.

Save money by paying your taxes before the last day of the present year.

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NINOTCHKA

ADAPTED FROM THE METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER PICTURE

LEBBEUS MITCHELL



SYNOPSIS: Ninotchka is back in Moscow from Paris, where she had been sent to take over negotiations for the sale of the former Grand Duchess Swana's court jewels. In Paris she and Count Leon d'Algout, Swana's sweetheart, had fallen in love. Swana had got hold of the jewels and returned them only upon Ninotchka's agreeing to leave Paris that very day by plane, without seeing Leon. Having an omelet in her Moscow room, with the three Russian agents she had supplanted in the negotiations, she receives a letter from Leon, but everything is blacked out save the salutation and the signature—"censored."

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Chapter Twelve

A MISSION TO CONSTANTINOPLE

Razinin, commissar of the Moscow Board of Trade, had sent a message to Ninotchka asking her to call—and, as his request was a command, she went to his office. She stood before his desk, a number of folders in her hand, waiting for him to recognize her presence. At length he looked up.

"Good morning, Comrade."

"Good morning, Comrade Commissar." She was very business-like. "Here is my report on the materials available for trading in the next four months."

"Does this include the products of the Far Eastern provinces?"

"Yes, it does."

"You mean you have finished the whole investigation?"

"Yes."

"That's marvelous! You must have worked day and night. Don't you ever sleep?"

"I need very little sleep. We must be extremely careful what goods we take in exchange. I have already started a survey of our most urgent needs."

"Well, Comrade, I am afraid you will have to turn over that work to someone else."

Startled, Ninotchka asked: "May I ask why?"

"Please, sit down. . . . Will you have a cigarette?"

"Thank you."

"Well, Comrade, have you heard from your friends, Kopalski, Buljanoff and Iranoff?" asked Razinin.

"No."

"I haven't either, but I've *heard* about them. You must realize it was only on the strength of your Paris report that I sent them to Constantinople. Without that I would never have trusted them on a mission as important as the fur deal."

"May I ask what happened?"

"As soon as our representatives go to a foreign country they seem to lose all sense of balance. Those three have been in Constantinople six months and haven't sold a piece of fur. This is from a report I've had: 'How can the Bolshevik cause gain respect among the moslems if your three representatives get so drunk that they threw a carpet out of their hotel window and complain to the management that it didn't fly?'"

Ninotchka barely suppressed a smile. "Oh, they shouldn't do such things. Are you sure the report is correct?"

"It gives details which couldn't be invented. Naturally, I want to verify it and that's why I need you."

"You . . . you want me to go to Constantinople?"

"Yes. Leaving immediately."

"I appreciate the confidence you show in me, but I must ask you to entrust someone else with this mission. I am positive that my survey is more important than finding out whether—"

"That is for me to decide, Comrade Yakushova," said Razinin curtly.

"I am sorry. I don't want to overstep my position, but, please, don't send me."

"I don't understand your attitude in this."

"How can I make myself clear? . . . It is difficult to express, but I'd rather not go to foreign countries any more. Please, Comrade, let me stay here. Let me finish my work. . . . I don't want to go away. The foreign atmosphere throws one out of gear. . . . Let me finish my work. I have concentrated everything in it."

Razinin arose. "Please don't waste my time, Comrade. Do your duty. Goodbye."

"I will do my best," said Ninotchka, accepting the inevitable. . . .

Buljanoff, Iranoff and Kopalski met Ninotchka at the Constantinople airport and took her to their luxurious suite in a hotel.

"How do you like it, Ninotchka? Isn't it wonderful?"

"But, Comrades," she started to protest.

"Now please don't start figuring it out in cows," said Iranoff.

"You have done it again," she said wearily, "and I am responsible. How can you forget yourselves this way? You were sent here to make money, not to spend it."

"You still have those old-fashioned Bolshevik ideas," he replied. "It is high time you got out of Russia," said Buljanoff.

"But, Comrades—"

"We are not comrades any more," said Kopalski happily. "We are friends, Ninotchka."

"We don't have to whisper any longer," said Buljanoff.

"We can say whatever we want. We can shout," said Iranoff, "and nobody pays any attention. That is freedom."

"Isn't it possible to bring you back to reality a moment? I must have a complete report of your negotiations and . . . expense accounts."

"Don't ask for it, Ninotchka."

"Comrades — friends — don't make it difficult for me. This no more a pleasure trip for me than it is for you."

"That," said Iranoff, "was our idea when we first came, but we learned better."

"We are in the magic East, Ninotchka," said Kopalski, "the land of Aladdin and his lamp. In one single hour you can crowd in a thousand and one nights."

"All you have to do is to say, 'open, sesame,'" added Buljanoff.

"I don't know how I can get you out of it this time. How will it end? What will happen to you?"

"Shall we tell her?" asked Buljanoff. His friends nodded. "Ninotchka, we hope you will be our guest."

"We have opened a restaurant," said Iranoff.

"We have a wonderful electric sign," said Kopalski.

"You mean you are deserting Russia?" asked Ninotchka sadly.

Kopalski objected: "Don't call it desertion. Our little restaurant—that is our Russia. The Russia of borscht, the Russia of Boeuf strogonoff, bleenies with sour cream—"

Iranoff interrupted. "The Russia of piroshki. We are not only serving food, we are serving our country, we are making friends."

"Who gave you this idea?" asked Ninotchka, completely bewildered. "What is responsible for all this?"

"There's something in Constantinople — something irresistible," said Kopalski.

"It is in the air," said Iranoff. "It may come around the corner as you walk down the street. . ."

Buljanoff took up the word: "It may step out of a bazaar. . . It may wait for you in a corridor. . . It may hide in the shadow of a minaret. . . ."

"But now it's on the balcony," said Kopalski, pointing.

Ninotchka looked and was dumbfounded, for there stood Count Leon d'Algout, smiling at her longingly.

"They wouldn't let me into Russia," he said, "so I had to get you out."

"So . . . you're behind all this!" she gasped. "I might have known!"

Leon advanced, took her hand and kissed it fervently, while the three Russian agents, having exchanged covert glances, walked discreetly out of the room, closing the door.

"Trying to keep me away from you!" said Leon. "It couldn't be done. I couldn't, naturally, go on forever punching passport officials in the nose—but I found a way, didn't I? Darling, I had to see you. I wrote and wrote but all my letters came back."

"The one I got they wouldn't let me read. It began 'Ninotchka, darliing' and ended 'yours, Leon.'"

"I won't tell you what came between. I'll prove it. It will take a long time, Ninotchka—at least a lifetime."

"But, Leon, I am here for only a few days," she said, knowing in her heart what she wanted to do, but evading a decision.

"If you don't stay with me, I'll have to continue my fight. I'll travel wherever Russian commissions are. I'll make them all restaurant keepers. I'll depopulate Russia. Once you saved your country by going back. This time you can save it by staying here."

"Well, when it is a choice between my personal interest and the good of my country, how can I waver? No one shall say Ninotchka was a bad Russian."

He took her in his arms, and her lips sought his.

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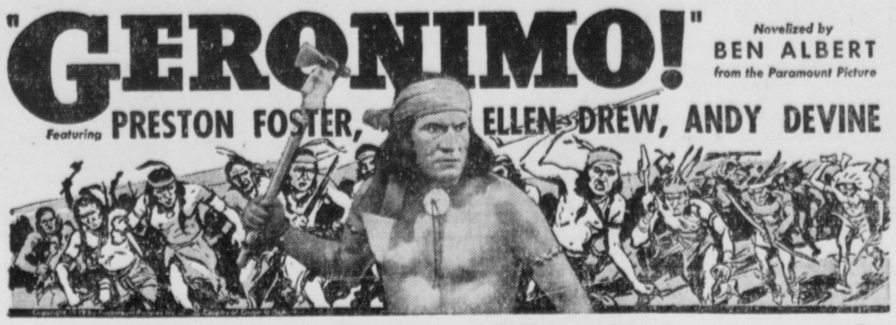
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SYNOPSIS

During a siege in which Geronimo, Apache leader, has split the army forces into three units, separating troops, scouts and a much-needed ammunition train, Captain Starrett, by a ruse, succeeds in bringing together General Steele, army martinet, and his young son, Lieutenant Jack Steele, who have been estranged since the young man's childhood due to the general's rigid insistence on the army code of discipline. They shake hands, and discover the depth of their sincere liking for eacl other.

CHAPTER VIII

SNEEZER and his few surviving scouts glanced down at the island on which the army troops were barricaded. Sneezer, ill-at-ease, commented, "They ain't fired a shot since yesterday. This quiet is worse than an attack. Two days now without food. Them troops can't hold out much onger."

"What do you think Geronimo's up to?" asked Pedro.

Sneezer shrugged. "He ain't up to no good!"

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A group of soldiers at the barricade glanced toward the Indian lines. "It's so quiet it scares you," said one. "You can't see a single one of 'em," added another. "I don't have to see 'em. I can feel 'em," said a third.

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Geronimo, seated with his interpreter and Gillespie, spoke to the half-breed. Both laughed and leered, as if enjoying a good joke. The interpreter turned to Gillespie. "Geronimo say, you take flag of truce—go to general — tell general to come here for big talk—Geronimo want to surrender."

Gillespie, a look of horror and terror on his face as he realized his plight, turned frantically to Geronimo. "You can't kill him that way! I couldn't do that! If ever he . . ." His words died in his throat as he recognized the vicious look on Geronimo's face and realized that he had no choice. The half-breed chuckled, "Geronimo say, you bring general, you live. You no bring general . . ." he stopped with very obvious meaning.

"Maybe we can make a break now," replied a scout. "Under that flag of truce, maybe we can get to them troops."

Sneezer shook his head. "No," he said firmly. "That's one of Geronimo's old tricks. Keep under cover, men. They'll get you if you poke your nose out." His voice was desperate. "The general can't hear our yells. Geronimo'll use that flag of truce to massacre 'em all!"

Pedro, halfway up the side of the hill, called back to Sneezer. "I tell general what you say."

"Don't go, Pedro," yelled Sneezer anxiously. "It's a trick, I tell you! Don't go!"

"Don't worry," called Pedro. "I tell general to look out."

The words were hardly out of his mouth when a huge boulder, pushed by three Indians hidden on top of the hill, rolled straight for him. Before the horrified eyes of Sneezer and the other scouts, Pedro, hit by the boulder, catapulted through the air, and crashed down on the hill, dead.

In the meantime Gillespie, having crossed the river under his flag of truce, marched up to face General Steele, who stood sternly at attention.

"General," Gillespie said, "this is terrible! I heard of this attack and traveled two hundred miles to get here. I'm still a servant of the government, you know. You refused my help once, but I'm offering it again. If I had known sooner I would have prevented all this—this awful bloodshed. I could have kept Geronimo from attacking your ammunition train. You see, he started on the warpath before I . . ." Just then he caught sight of Starrett and Jack Steele, who had stepped from their cover to stand before him. Gillespie stopped short and his mouth flopped open in complete, paralyzing bewilderment.

The general's voice was quiet. "Those are mighty fine rifles you supplied the Indians, Gillespie. We're no match for them—seven-shot repeaters." He turned to a soldier. "McNeal," he said, "this man is your prisoner. See that he keeps shooting until he draws the fire of every Indian on that bank." He turned back to Gillespie. "Our guns don't shoot as clean as yours—but they make mighty nasty sores in the back."

Gillespie, with no alternative, grabbed the rifle which the soldier held out. He stood on the barricade while the soldier stood behind him with another rifle levelled at the centre of his back, and shot toward the Indians.

Geronimo, watching through his binoculars, recognized Gillespie as the man firing. His jaw set in a determined line.

That night, with the sleep-drunk McNeal still keeping guard over Gillespie and forcing him to continue firing, General Steele sat with Starrett and Jack Steele before the campfire. Starrett spoke quietly. "There are over two thousand of them, sir, and more coming every minute. We've got to get help."

"Every man counts here," snapped the general.

"But at these odds, sir, one less won't make any difference. If I do get help, the others may have a chance. If I don't," he shrugged, "it won't matter much."

Jack broke in eagerly. "Let me go with him, sir. One of us will surely make it!"

Steele shook his head. "No!"

"But you once said, sir," insisted Jack doggedly, "that there should be no favoritism. That should work both ways."

There was a long pause. Then Steele nodded with pride. "Very well," he said, and held out his hand to Jack. "Good luck." He paused again, then added, "Son!"

Jack smiled tenderly. "Thank you . . . dad!" The two men shook hands.

Jack turned to Starrett, motioned to him, and they left the barricade, to start working their way across the river.

When Starrett and Jack reached the other side of the river, they found themselves in a pile of brush beside which stood a large group of horses tied together.

Starrett nodded to Jack, who motioned to the horses to show that he understood. They wormed their way to the group, and carefully loosened the reins of two of the nearest animals. Just as they were about to mount, one of the horses whinnied, and the Indian standing silhouetted in the moonlight wheeled, yelled and jumped, together with two Indian guards, on the pair of whites.

Jack, no match for the powerful warrior who had seized him, was borne backward onto the ground. The brave raised his knife high above the boy's heart, and was just about to plunge it home, when Starrett, who had broken loose from his captors, jumped to Jack's aid. Jack rolled free as Starrett pulled the Indian off and yelled, "Get going, Jack! Get on that horse!"

Jack instinctively rushed to Starhett's aid as he saw his friend struggling in the grip of two Indians. Starrett yelled in desperation, "Go ahead! Never mind me!"

Jack continued to struggle to free Starrett, who screamed, "Get help! Get going, I tell you!"

Starrett managed to push Jack away. The Indian made another grab for Jack, while Starrett pleaded with the boy. "They'll all be massacred! Get help, please!" he yelled.

Jack, suddenly brought to his senses, leaped on one of the horses and rode frantically away as the Indian plunged his knife up to the hilt in Starrett's back, and the officer fell to the ground, dead.

(To be continued)



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Gillespie rose to his feet and walked away, while Geronimo snatched away the binoculars which he had held in his hand.

Captain Starrett and Jack Steele rushed up to where General Steele sat disconsolately surveying the desolate plain. Excitedly Starrett yelled, "They're sending a flag of truce, sir!" And as he recognized the bearer of the flag, he turned back to Steele. "It's Gillespie, sir," he added.

Steele waved at the two men. "You get out of sight," he said grimly and suspiciously.

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Up on the hill, Sneezer, staring down at the sight of Gillespie advancing under a flag of truce, turned bitterly to Pedro. "I figured he'd try something like that," he said.

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About Missouri

By E. L. Preston

Robert Marcellus Stewart, of St. Joseph, elected governor of Missouri in 1857, 80 years ago, upset a holiday tradition by naming Thanksgiving Day in December rather than on the orthodox last Thursday in November, setting a precedent for President Roosevelt and Governor Stark who this year designated the fourth Thursday as a day of thanks. James Turnbaugh, writing in the Kansas City Star, says Governor Stewart's proclamation, issued November 25, 1859, was outstanding in that it passed over national tradition and set an unorthodox date for the holiday. The date selected was December 8, the anniversary of Washington's crossing the Delaware—selected, some historians say, because the pro-slavery governor did not want the people "to thank God on the same day with a damned Abolitionist." Stewart's administration was made particularly turbulant by the storm that was rising to hurl the nation into the war between the states two years later. As strong as Governor Stewart was in his pro-slavery sympathies, he never allowed his radicalism to run to the extent that he would sanction Missouri's secession from the Union. In his farewell address, January 3, 1861, he said "Missouri will stand to her lot and hold to the Union so long as it is worth an effort to preserve it."

And from the Paris, Mo., Appeal comes the story of a man who sought and found hs fortune in the West, leaving a large estate to Missouri relatives and private organizations. The Probate Court fo Monroe County has approved the distribution of $24,000, making a total of $91,500 which had been allowed heirs. The final liquidation, it is said, will be made in 1941, when it is estimated an additional $40,000 will be forthcoming. Robert L. Sprinkle, who died in 1931 at the age of 70, left his boyhood home in Granville, 12 miles from Paris, when he was 18. He located in Chinook, Mont., and there built a fortune, founded on sheep, that at one time was estimated at more than a million dollars. In 1929 he returned to Paris to make his home and in December of that year he and his childhood sweetheart, Miss Willie Hayden, were married. The will established a trust fund for Mrs. Sprinkle, made several bequests and then named various organizations to share in the remainder. The Red Cross, the Salvation Army and the fund for superannuated Methodist ministers were included in the bequests.

"The Highway of the Kings," or if you are up on your Spanish, "El Camino Real"—, St. Louis south over parts of State Highways 25 and 61, is the oldest public road in Missouri and was laid out during Spanish domination in the 18th century. Kingshighway Boulevard in St. Louis is part of this ancient route which extended from the eastern metropolis to Little Prairie, now Caruthersville in Pemiscot County. The old King's Trace passed in front of Commandant Valle's House erected in Ste. Genevieve in 1782, and still standing. A replica of the Valle home was used in the Missouri exhibits at both New York and San Francisco World's Faris.

Walter H. Pohl, photographer for the Missouri Highway Department, who has recently received national award on his work, has a collection of 24 of his prize-winning pictures on display now in the Resources Museum in the Capitol at Jefferson City. The display is well worth traveling miles to see.

A new road from St. Joseph north 8 miles to Savannah, Andrew County, to relieve "the congestion and danger" on U. S. Route 71, is proposed by a group of Buchanan County road boosters who say it should take 1000 to 2000 cars daily off the present route.

The Standard $2.00 per year.

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Sam P. Rady for several years an employe of the State Highway Department and stationed in Sikeston, but now with the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation of New York and stationed in Chicago visited with Sikeston friend over the week end. He was on his way to Florida and Cuba in the interest of his Corporation. Sam has gained considerable averdupois since leaving Sikeston. His visit to The Standard office was duly appreciated.

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Saturday night the business section looked drab without the usual Christmas decorations, but Sunday night the overstreet decoration were up and the many colored lights turned on made the old town looked Christmasy, then Monday morning the light standards were wound with evergreen wreaths that brought Sikeston up-to-date in Christmas decorations. Come to see us.

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The goldfish swims around and around in his little bowl and he blows a lot of bubbles and attracts a lot of attention—but he never gets anywhere or does anything. The Republican Party is like that.

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With this issue and until after the first of the year we can't promise just when the paper will be delivered to the readers in the city for the reason it is impossible for the office force to set the type, the advertising, the press work, and get out two big editions a week and have it delivered to subscribers before the sun sets. However, bear with us as we are happy that we are kept busy and out of devilment.

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Lula Lee was arrested and placed in jail at Poplar Bluff for driving a car while intoxicated. This is the first time we have heard of a woman being jailed in Southeast Missouri for reckless driving while drunk.

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THREE STRIKES—AND OUT

1. Down at Morehouse a strike was called on August 28th. More than 225 employes of a timber-working plant walked out. They demanded a closed shop and a wage increase.

The situation rocked along until last week when the men went back to work, without a closed shop, and a pay increase that was originally offered.

Paid organizers from the outside brought about the strike, it is said. Against their own best judgment 225 men were idle for more than three months, and gained nothing. Morehouse is an economic wreck, and it will be months before the economic and social life of the town is anything like normal.

A strike—and out!

2. Two years ago paid organizers invaded the ranks of the shoe workers at Poplar Bluff, secretly organized a union and announced a strike.

For months agitators from the outside kept the strike going and the suffering shoe workers stayed on the outside of the plant.

Now the factory appears to be permanently closed, and several hundred men and women are on the outside for keeps.

A strike—and out!

3. Ste. Genevieve lime workers staged a strike a few months ago that paralyzed Ste. Genevieve, subjected every interest to heavy loss, and entailed a long period of suffering upon the strikers.

Finally they went back to work, literally starved out, but it will be a long time before the community recovers from the consequences of the bitterness engendered and the losses sustained.

We happen to know that Ste. Genevieve was not considered for another industry recently because of the fear that there is not a proper spirit of friendliness toward the employer on the part of labor.

A strike—and out!

—Fredericktown Democrat.

MISSOURI MELANGE

Despite a 2 per cent increase in acreage, strawberries will be fewer in Missouri next year, if the crop is normal, the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation states. It explains that last year's crop was 10 per cent above normal, and does not believe it likely that that will be repeated. Prices may be higher because of improved demand resulting from higher consumer income.

J. C. Penney, owner of a chain of stores and of the Penney Farms near Hamilton, Mo., was a guest speaker at William Jewell College, Liberty, recently.

Fire damaged the Lambda Chi fraternity house in Rolla to the extent of about $600 during November.

By a vote of 119 to 4, citizens of Glasgow, at an election—November 17 authorized issuance of $7,000 in bonds for additions and improvements to the muncipal water plant. The fund augments $9,000 voted last year for construction of the plant.

As is customary with pet shows, the one held in Mound City, November 18, brought out some unusual entries. Included were goats, lambs, pigs, ducks and chickens, a well as the more common-place cats and dogs.

In what it declared to have been the first armed robbery in Paris, Mo., in a half-century, a youthful robber pointed a "large pistol" at a 17-year-old filling station attendant, November 28, ordered the attendant into a closet and escaped with $25 from the cash register.

In 1926, the average car owner bought 451 gallons of gasoline at a total cost of $106.52; in 1938, the average car owner used 653 gallons of gasoline at a cost of $91.88, a reduction of $2.69 in cost, yet he paid for approximately 202 gallons more of gasoline.

More than 50,000 persons are helped by the Travelers' Aid Society every year.

British soldiers off duty were not permitted to use England's public parks a century ago.

Buying The Holiday Bird

By Katharine Fisher

Director, Good Housekeeping Institute

Poultry, believe it or not, has changed as the years have gone by Fancy and choice turkeys, ducks, and chickens, both fresh and frozen are now being branded by national meat packers. A tag or sticker bearing the packer's name identifies these quality birds, so ask about them when you market. In buying these you pay so much per pound for the full weight of the dressed bird—that is, including head, feet, and giblets.

You should know, too, of the quick-frosted, fully drawn poultry that is steadily gaining in favor, and rightly so. Tender, plump turkeys, ducks, and chickens, selected for quality, are completely dressed and fully drawn (even the pin-feathers are removed), all ready for stuffing. Then each bird, with the giblets wrapped separately and placed inside the body of the bird, is wrapped, labeled with the drawn weight, and quickly frozen at a very low temperature that seals in its original choice flavor, freshness, and food value. When you buy it, it is still solid, and you have only to thaw it, by the manufacturer's directions; then stuff.



KATHARINE FISHER
Director of Good Housekeeping Institute

Just a word about the price of these birds. When you buy dressed poultry, you pay for head and feet as well as other waste material. The quick-frozen, fully drawn birds have no waste material, and they are also fully cleaned. Consequently their cost is adjusted to this convenience.

You can now buy turkeys as small as 7 lbs. in weight, so don't pass up turkey for the holidays just because yours is a small family.

How Big Should The Bird Be?

Turkeys: ½ to ¾ lb. of dressed turkey (before head, feet and giblets are removed) is a fair allowance per person. For example, a 15-lb. dressed turkey provides about 20 servings. But when you're counting noses, don't forget to allow for second servings.

Chicken or Capon: With birds of 3½ lbs. or over, allow about ½ lb. to ¾ lb. of dressed meat per person. For example, a 4-lb. to 5-lb. bird serves about 6. As for less weighty chickens, a 2½-lb. bird serves 2 to 3 persons.

Duck: Unfortunately for those who love duck, the proportion of meat to bone is small. So don't count on more than 3 generous servings or 4 average servings from a 5-lb. duck.

Goose: A 9-lb. goose serves about 6.

How Much Stuffing Will It Need?

I agree with you, it is a nuisance to get your stuffing all made only to find that you haven't enough. While we have no hard-and-fast guide to offer you, we took careful notes in stuffing the crop and body cavities of numerous birds, using our Plain Bread Stuffing. Here they are:

For drawn turkey: (minus head, feet and giblets) we averaged 1¼ c. to 1½ c. of day-old bread crumbs, measured loosely, for each pound of drawn turkey. For example, a 7-lb. drawn turkey took 12 c. crumbs; a 12-lb. drawn turkey 16 c.; and a 15-lb. drawn turkey took 18 c.

For drawn chicken we averaged about 2 c. of day-old bread crumbs, measured loosely, for each pound of drawn chicken. For drawn capon we averaged 8 c. of day-old bread crumbs, measured loosely, for a 7-lb. bird.

By the way, getting dinner will be easier for you if you stuff and truss the bird the day before. If there's any stuffing left over, just tuck it in a covered casserole and bake it with the bird for the last hour.

BREAD STUFFING

(Tested by Good Housekeeping Institute)

Use Institute-approved Measuring Cups and Spoons. Measure level.

3 qts. stale (not hard) bread crumbs
1½ tsp. salt
1 tbsp. sage
2 tbsp. chopped celery
2 tbsp. chopped parsley
¼ tsp. pepper
¾ c. butter or margarine
½ c. minced onion

Use day-old bread for the crumbs. Combine the bread crumbs, salt, sage, celery, parsley, and pepper. Meanwhile, melt the butter in a large skillet, add the onion, and simmer until tender. Add the seasoned bread crumbs and brown, stirring the bread crumbs constantly from the bottom. Stuffs 1 bird weighing 8 lbs. after it is dressed.

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FOR SALE—4-room house, close in. Write M, Box 111, Sikeston, or Phone 137. 1t-25

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WANTED — Signs, upholstering, refinishing work to do. Phone 171, Guy E. Suvers. tf-17

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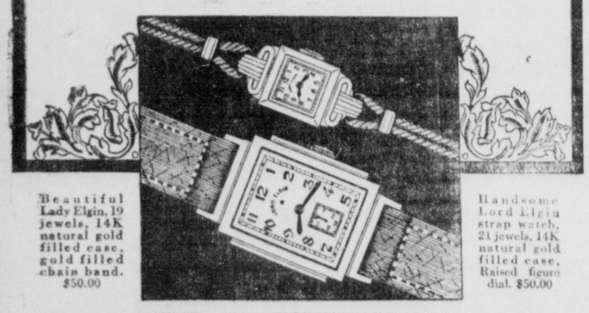
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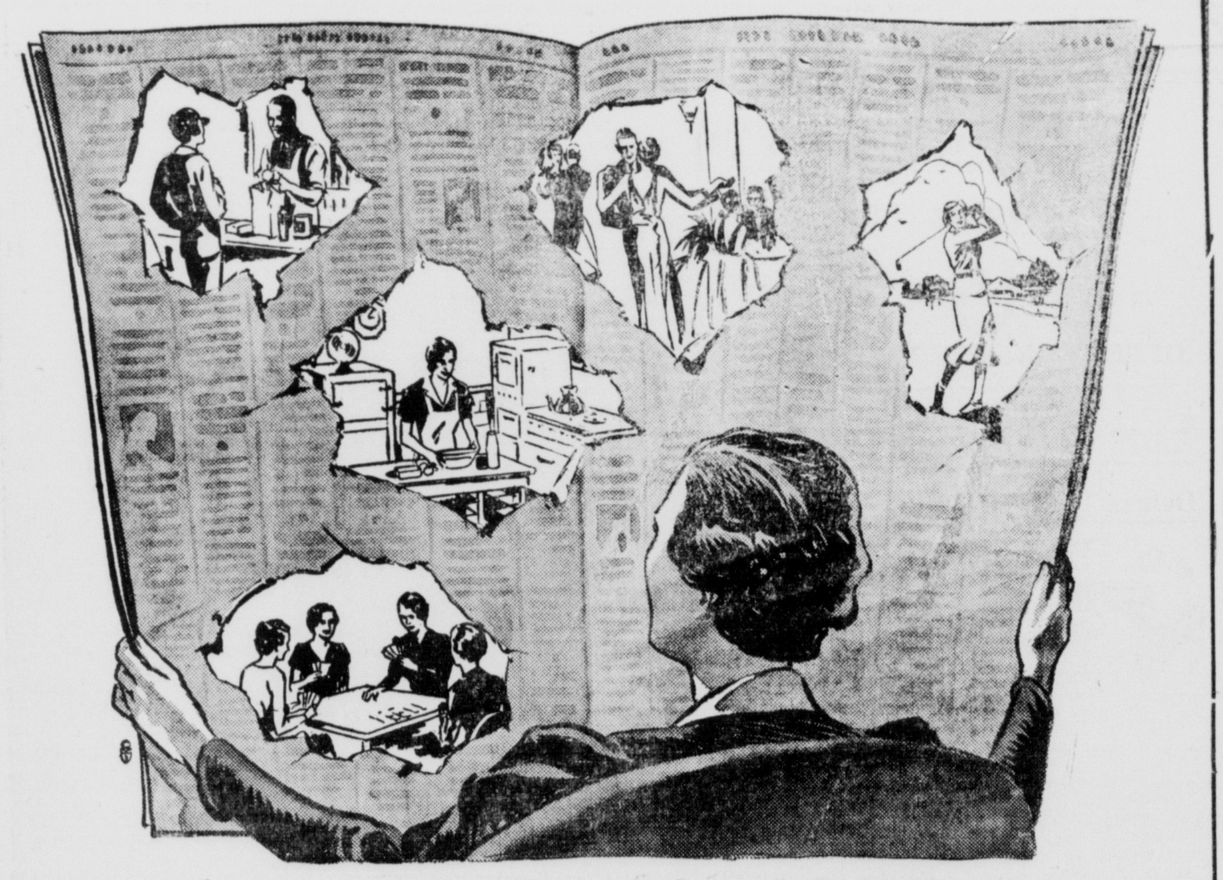
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News of the Town

Mrs. Ed Kendall, Reporter.—Phone 761W

Squire Gupton of Morley was a visitor in Sikeston Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Lee Bowman was hostess at a dessert bridge Monday afternoon.

Kayser Stockings are appreciated for Xmas. The People's Store.

Mrs. M. G. Gresham is improving from attack of strepococcic throat.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mrs. E. H. Orear and Mrs. Sam Brady of Poplar Bluff spent Friday in Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Martin are parents of a son born Friday at their home in this city.

Give Her Kayser Stockings. The People's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lancaster, Miss Eva Newton and Tommy Roberts spent Saturday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morgan of Matthews were guests Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pratt.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ault of Charleston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam Jr. Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lula Hicks of Hot Springs, Ark., came Saturday for a visit of several days with relatives and friends here.

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Mrs. J. M. Kelley and her sister, Mrs. Vernon Kelley, visited their father, J. Y. Eves at Bloomfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reid of Cooter spent last week end here with Mrs. Reid's mother, Mrs. Orville Lumsden.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hill and daughter, Joan, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hill in Dexter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pitman visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McMullin near Bertrand Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lindley and children spent Saturday in Cape Girardeau. They were accompanied home that evening by Mrs. Lindley's brohter-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Botter and their children, who spent Saturday night and Sunday in the Lindley home.

Evergreen Decoration for the home and business. Smilax holly, evergreen boughs and Laurel Roping. Phone 501. Woehlecke the florist.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Mouser and son, LaVerne, spent Sunday in Fredericktown with Mrs. Mouser's mother, Mrs. G. W. Hawn.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Putnam Jr. visited Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Loebe in Charleston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Diehl, daughter, Ruth Margaret, and son, Carl Jr., and Miss Mary Emma Heath were in Bloomfield Sunday afternoon.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Mitchell and son of Malden, Lee Bowman, Clay Mitchell and Murray Klein, returned last Thursday night after spending a week in the east.

Evergreen Decoration for the home and business. Smilax holly, evergreen boughs and Laurel Roping. Phone 501. Woehlecke the florist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffith visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Birkicht in Forrest City, Ark., last week end, and brought them to Sikeston for a visit.

Fruit Cakes For Sale. Phone 462. Mrs. W. H. Sikes.

Mrs. Milem Limbaugh, Mrs. Eula Bowman Shanks, Mrs. Byron Bowman and daughter, Jane, Mrs. Paul Bowman and son, Phil, and Sammy Bowman III, spent Wednesday last week in St. Louis.

W. T. Stubblefield entered Barnes Hospital in St. Louis last Thursday morning for examination and medical treatment. He was accompanied to St. Louis by his daughter, Miss Kathleen Stubblefield.

Mrs. I. G. Lewis entertained four tables of guests at a pinochle party Saturday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dellar Mott on North Kingshighway. She was assisted by Mrs. Mott and Miss Elsie Freed.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lambert Friday afternoon.

A. D. Sheppard Jr. of Doniphan was a week end guest of John Ponder.

Mrs. Lynn Sutton, Mrs. L. E. Ford and Mrs. Wm. Cotton spent last Wednesday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan spent the week end in Rolla with their son, Amos Buchanan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cohen and son, Byron, left Sunday for Chicago and New Albany, Ind. to spend several days.

Mrs. Louis Ferrell and daughter, Miss Eva Newton spent Sunday in Caruthersville as guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Searles.

Mrs. Abe Davis returned last Thursday from Chicago where she was called by the death of a sister, Mrs. Kathryn Langdon.

Mrs. Louie Graber, Mrs. J. Goldstein and son, Joe, and Mrs. Sam Sarno of Morehouse spent last Thursday in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cotton were guests of the latter's brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith in Dexter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gipson and daughter, Miss Anna Lou, of Jonesboro, Ark. visited Mrs. Gipson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Young Sunday. Miss Anna Lou Gupson was a dinner guest of Miss Mae Edwards.

Mrs. C. M. Smith and her daughter, Miss Dorothy, returned home Saturday after a visit with relatives in De Sota, Ill. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Maria Herple, who will be their guest for two weeks.

Mrs. Harold Brase, Miss Irene Brase and Miss Dessie Hydrick of Poplar Bluff and Mrs. Meredith Lee spent Saturday and Sunday in St. Louis. Meredith Lee joined Mrs. Lee Saturday night and accompanied her home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Matthews had as dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Klein, Miss Camille Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein, daughter, Miss Evelyn, and son, Jean, Mrs. J. H. Yount and son, Jack, Miss Margaret and James Corrigan of Poplar Bluff.

Those from Sikeston who attended a chili supper given by the B'Nai Brith Sunday at Cape Girardeau were, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Graber and children, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Shainberg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Yoffee and children, Mrs. J. Goldstein, Joe Goldstein and Mr. and Mrs. William Mariam.

Carroll Sutton went to Hot Springs, Ark. one day lat week via airplane, and spent a day and night with his father, J. Z. Sutton who has been there for several weeks in the interest of his health. Mr. Sutton recently underwent a minor operation from which he is recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hedden will entertain members of the force at Sikeston Tractor and Implement Co. and their wives at dinner Thursday evening in the Palace Cafe. The guests will include, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Uht and son, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tutley, Miss Bonita Hedden and Charles Yanson.

Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury entertained guests at dinner at the Marshall Hotel Sunday, complimentary to her house guests, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kingsbury of New Franklin, Mo. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Jere Kingsbury of Caruthersville, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes, Mrs. O. E. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Kevil, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kingsbury and Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury.

BOBBY KEASLER HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Bobby Keasler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Keasler, was the honor guest at a party for him Sunday in observance of his fourth birthday. Guests who enjoyed games and refreshments were Jimmy Arthur, Gene Raymond Aufdenberg, Donnell Baker, Glenn Barton, Charles Blanton, III, David Bowman, Sammy Bowman, Damon Dale, Eddie McAmus, Billy Stearns, Bobby Stearns, Paul Slinkard, Bobby Gregory, Freddie Taylor, Jimmy Williams, Ann Tully, Mary Ann Walker, Carol Jo Crites, Kathleen Noonan, Jimmy and Betty Sue Keasler. Mrs. Keasler was assisted by Mrs. H. E. Randloph and Mrs. Charles Stearns in serving.

There are 750,000 banjos mandolin, ukuleles, and other fretted musical instruments, exclusive of guitars, in the United States. Of guitars, there are 1,500,000.

BLOOMFIELD BEARS BEAT DEMONS, 71-41

The Bloomfield Bears Sunday defeated the Centralia, Ill., Black Demons, negro independents, by a 71-31 count at Bloomfield. This is the closest a team has come to the Bears' score this season.

The largest salmon ever caught in Southeastern Alaska weighed 120 pounds. The fish, taken in the 1939 season, was 53½ inches long and 36½ inches around. It was caught in a net. The previous record salmon, caught in 1910, weighed 116 pounds.

SUFFERS PNEUMONIA AFTER OPERATION

Frank Emerson sustained an operation at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau Thursday night and was considered in a satisfactory condition until Saturday, when a pneumonia complication developed. His condition was unchanged Monday afternoon.

At the spiritualist's: "So you want to call up the spirit of your mother-in-law?"

"Yes, it wasn't enough for her to plague the life out of me, just before he did she hid my pipe."—Jackson Cash-Book.

Sundays and holidays are the safest for pedestrians, records show. On regular week days, pedestrian deaths make up 39 per cent of the total killed in traffic accidents; on Sundays and holidays the toll drops to 27 per cent.

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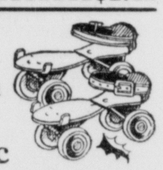
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With Every "MASTER" Heater During This Sale, Entitles you to $1.50 in merchandise with the purchase of a Z304 car heater or $1.00 in merchandise with a Z302 car heater.

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Coats and Dresses
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This is the sale you have waited for, and there will be no disappointments. Hundreds of fine coats and dresses are now at your disposal for less than manufacturers cost. The winter season is just starting; our stocks are heavy; you will have plenty to select from and we need not tell you that the styles are the most beautiful to be found in any store in Southeast Missouri. Come quickly for our stocks will soon melt away at these prices.

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All $10.95 Coats reduced to ..$7.95
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Last year's styles at half price and even less. The original prices quoted are already marked down prices.

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New fall styles. Values in silk and wool dresses. This is not a lot of junk; they are really beautiful dresses.

$1.95 $2.95 $3.95

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Rhythm Step and Buckner DeLuxe $7.50 and $6.75, Now $4.95
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THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE Co.

Missouri Melange

The Marines have landed in Sedalia—and opened a recruiting office in the Post Office building.

Clifton Clark of Warrenton narrowly escaped drowning recently when a skiff in which he was hunting ducks overturned in the Missouri River near Treloar. He was rescued by three companions, who rushed him to a doctor in Marthasville.

The hand of Commercialism touches another Missouri landmark, according to news from St. Joseph. The house in which, in the words of the poet, "the dirty little coward shot Mister Howard and laid poor Jesse in his grave," is to be taken from its hilltop location in St. Joseph and moved to the Belt highway east of the city, where it will become a part of a service station development. For sixty or more years, the house, in which Bob Ford killed Jesse James, infamous Missouri outlaw, has been a major attraction for tourists. A hole in one of the interior walls is pointed out as having been made by the bullet which ended the bandit's career. Its present location faces a factory building that, in pony express days, was the World's Hotel, where the bandit spent his leisure and noted enticing express shipments. A year ago a group of St. Joseph business men bought the house to forestall plans to move it to the New York World's Fair, and offered it to the city as a museum. The city council took no action.

The thrill of a lifetime came to T. R. Austin, Jr., 9-year-old Chillicothe boy, recently. He rode all the way from St. Joseph to his home in a big ambulance, with siren "and everything". The fact he had undergone an operation to correct a bone condition which forced him to walk with crutches was forgotten. The big cast on his leg, from ankle to hip, which ordinarily would serve as subject for weeks of juvenile conversation, is ignored as T. R., Jr., lies in his bed at home and tells his pals about the ride home—and especially how the ambulance "made that noise like a fire truck" every time it turned a corner or passed another car.

"People of Memphis could hardly believe their ears Sunday morning when they heard the ringing of a church bell," comments the Memphis (Mo.) Democrat. "It has been many a year since a church bell was heard ringing in Memphis. The bell at the Baptist church, which is the only one left in town, has been repaired and the Rev. E. L. Painter, pastor, states it will ring from now on for all church services."

Possibly a desire to further their education prompted the Board of Education and local foot ball fans to send the Albany high school football players to Columbia, November 18, to wintess the game between Missouri and Oklahoma universities. They should have learned how its done!

"The Ridge", colored community near Auxvasse, was saved from possible destruction recently when rain extinguished a grass and brush fire which had gained alarming headway during the afternoon and night. The fire burned over a large area, but no buildings were destroyed, although a number of cattle were removed to safety from pastures in its path.

In keeping with that popular saying, "campaigns are won between elections", the Missouri Federation of Women's Democratic Clubs already is hard at work. Mrs. Milton F. Duvall of Clarksville, elected president at the recent convention in Jefferson City, announces meetings were held at Carrollton, November 29, and Trenton, December 5, and that another will be held in Fulton, December 12.

It cost $13,151 to print the Laws of 1939. The volume, containing the 300 laws passed by the 60th General Assembly, Missouri's longest legislature, comprised 960 pages and was rivalled in size only by the session acts of 1864, a Civil War year, and of 1909.

The new $450,000 building for the criminally insane at State Hospital No. 1, Fulton, was opened late in November. It has capacity for 320 inmates, and experts term it one of the best of its kind in the entire United States.

With several state departments yet to be heard from, more than 1,000 state employees have joined the Capitol Young Democratic Club in Jefferson City, in a campaign which began November 1. The drive for members will continue until December 10, according to Joephine Christian, membership committee chairman. The Capitol club is a purely social organization. The names of the members and their membership fees are sent back to the clubs in their home counties.

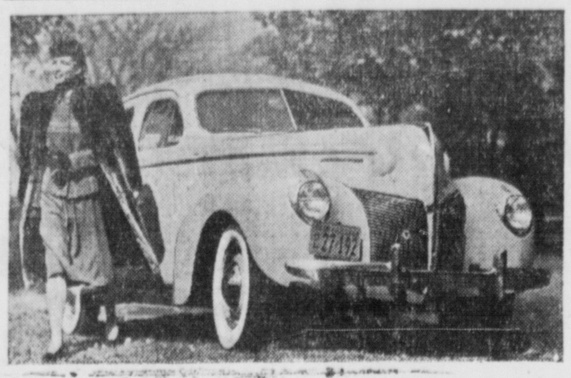
Members of the Agricultural Conservation Association of Marion and Ralls counties, with their wives, were guests of the Hannibal Chamber of Commerce at a dinner at the Mark Twain hotel there recently. More than 200 attended.

Speaking of dinners reminds us that the guests of honor at a banquet of the Missouri Jersey Breeders Association in Carthage during November were Dot Joyce and Observer Frolic — Jersey cows, which represented Missouri at the New York World's Fair Jersey Show.

Henry Pace, hunting near Tarkio, fired at what he thought was a crow. When he reached the fallen bird, he found he had killed an eagle with a wingspread of seven feet.

In an effort to bring back to Missouri the "woods pheasant", or ruffled grouse, the Missouri Conservation Commission has obtained fifty of the birds and released them in Indian Trail and Deer Run State Forests.

★ BAZAAR PREVIEW ★



THE eye is caught simultaneously by this fitted beaver coat and the Mercury Eight "Town Sedan," shown in Harper's Bazaar for November. This is perhaps the first time beaver has been made into a fitted coat. It is shirred in front and fitted in back.



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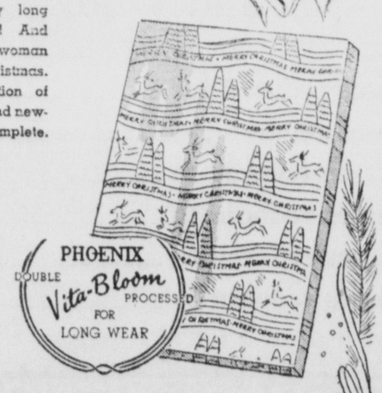
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Santa may be embarrassed by the demand for Barbizon but we're not. We ordered enough slips, gowns and pajamas to go around (we hope) and we have them in all the wanted colors and sizes. Get your supply of these lovely, popular gifts while our stocks are complete. Sketched are a few random selections . . there are dozens more, in lovely Barbizon fabrics all tailored in that special Barbizon.

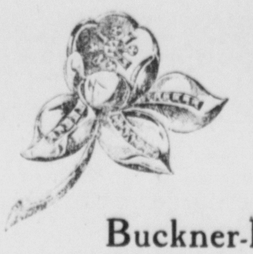
Monterey, a smart gown with bands of fagoting forming the square neck and waist band. Silk and rayon Satin Seraphim, in soft pastels. Sizes 32 to 40.

Kenworth, bias cut slip of Satin Seraphim, (silk and rayon), in wide range of sizes and lengths.

Mitzi-at-Ease, a pajama for lounging and sleeping that is smartly different with its wide lapels and two-tone sash. Tailored of silk and rayon Satin Seraphim in luscious color combinations.

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One close-up inspection of this lovely Dovedown number—in the new tones of lively brownish, Rose, and Sunny Beige, Pastel and India shades—will give you the reasons for its unprecedented popularity.

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Nelly Don SOAPSUDS FASHIONS

Reasons For Modernization Outlined By Magazine

Modernization can restore the charm of past centuries and endow it with the comforts and conveniences of modern life, declares an editorial in House and Garden which answers the question "Why modernize?"

Nine reasons why modernization should be profitable were given.

They are:

1. It may cost less than buying or building a new house.
2. The owner may make his home more efficient and improve its resale value by careful replanning.
3. The home owner may obtain FHA-insured loans for modernization work up to $2,500 on easy terms from his local bank.
4. Modes of life have changed since the original house was built. The wide porch on the front is no longer desired, but a shaded terrace in the garden at the rear is wanted.
5. There are new materials available which make the house more practical and comfortable.
6. New mechanical equipment is more conventient and efficient than any available at the time the house was built.
7. The house may be out of style with modern ideas of good architectural taste.
8. The owner may want genuine antique detail but should not deprive himself of efficient plumbing and heating and other modern equipment.
9. The owner may be tired of his present surroundings and feel that it is time to freshen up the decoration, to give the house a new coat of paint and paper, and maybe even to put in some new windows.

HOPE CHEST IS BEING REVIVED BY 1939 BRIDE

By Bettina Bedwell.

Paris. — (Special.) — The hope chest, that old-fashioned symbol of the prospective bride, is being revived by the engaged girls of 1939. I learn from the folks who specialize in household linens that brides this spring have gone in for compiling sheets, pillow cases and towels for their new homes, in exactly the energetic way that their mothers and grandmothers used to do it. Hope chests are in style.

The hope chest in 1939 will include a dozen sheets, the same number of pairs of pillow slips, and towels, both bath and hand. And it is a very modern kind of household linen that is selected, for the sheets and pillow slips of the modern bride-to-be are made of silk and trimmed with embroidery and real lace, or in some cases pure white linen is preferred, with generous trimmings of real lace and fine embroidery.

An important branch of the hope chest collector's work is, naturally, lingerie, which is chosen in harmony with the household contents of the chest. The allowance of a dozen nightgowns is considered about what is right by many brides who will go to the altar this June. Lingerie for daytime wear must include at least that many step-ins, pairs of bras-eiers and dress slips, too.

Nightgowns, sheets, and pillow slips are likely to match in color and are often made of the same silk and trimmed with identical lace. Pale sky blue, pale pink, lilac, and white of off-white are the colors being chosen by most brides this year.

The question of negligees, housecoats, pajamas, or whatever the bride will wear around her home, is a leading one that the hope chest must answer. At least one frivolous, frothy negligee is usually chosen even by the most practical bride, because of the atmosphere it provides.

One French bride, Mlle. de Castries, who recently married the Count de la Batie, chose only tailored house coats and pajamas for her trousseau. But these were made in the finest of satins and in sky blue, pink, or white.

One of the house coats chosen by Mlle. de Castries is of white slipper satin, and is strictly tailored, with a shoulder yoke, revers, belt and epaulettes of quilted satin. One pair of pajamas is made of sky blue satin and also trimmed with lines of quilting.

Eighteen combination step-ins ordered from Dubrulle by Mlle. de Castries are in white, off-white, sky blue, and pink. They were chosen in chiffon, in satin, and in crepe, and trimmed with real lace, and threaded with ribbons of the same color.

Twelve pairs of sheets and pillow slips were included in Mlle. de Castries' hope chest. They come in silk crepe de chine, and the pink and blue sheets are trimmed with real point d'Angleterre lace and Turkish point embroidery.

Twelve nightgowns in this trousseau were chosen in pink, blue, and off-white . They are made of satin or chiffon, and trimmed with malines lace. One is a gown of pink satin, which Dubrulle trims with lace, used to make the bertha, that is laced down the back on satin ribbon, and the wide corselet girdle, while another is a sky blue nightgown from Dubrulle, made of chiffon and having a gathered yoke and puff slevees of blue malines lace.

WHAT NEXT?

from THE MERCHANDISE MART



Even sport and field glasses are now undergoing the streamlining process as witness this miniature binocular. Looking not unlike a cigarette case, and similar in size, its ingenious construction permits the glasses to open or close in a split second.

Monthly Rentals Now Sufficient To Pay For Home

The average American family pays a monthly rental for living quarters which would be sufficient to take care of the monthly charges on a home of its own under the Federal Housing Administration plan of home financing, FHA officials say.

In some cases, the monthly charges on certain priced homes under FHA's plan would be less than rentals for comparable shelter.

The vast portion of America's income producers who could own homes but forego such a realization do so for a number of reasons, FHA officials point out. Among these may have been lack of sufficient down-payment, a reason lessened in validity since liberalization of FHA's Title I terms to the 5 per cent down payment. A number of financial institutions throughout the country have inaugurated savings programs, the cumulation of which is accumulation of sufficient funds for a down payment on a house.

Other reasons for foregoing a house purchase may have been desire to remain more mobile due to the nature of employment.

Under FHA's home-financing plans, now more flexible than ever, families can realize their home-owning ambitions in this respect on a sounder more liberal basis than ever before, FHA officials say.

SLIDING DOORS AID TO SPACE SAVING

Sliding doors for bedroom closets not only are efficient space savers but when well chosen also provide a fine wall decoration. They may be installed under the Modernization Credit Plan of FHA.

QUESTIONS—ANSWERS

Q. What causes most fires in houses?

A. Most conflagrations in houses are caused by overheated or improperly built flues, defective electric wiring, carelessness in the use of matches and cigarettes, and spontaneous combustion.

Q. In building a house, what are the most important considerations for fire prevention?

A. The essentials are good fireplace and chimney construction, proper separation and insulation of wood framing from chimney and fireplace, proper installation of heating systems and electric wiring, and construction of firestops between the studs of frame houses. The use of fireproof or fire-resistive materials for outside walls and roof is a protection from fire from outside the house. Where practicable, the location of the house at a distance from other buildings is a further safeguard against fire from without.

Q. What are firestops?

A. The space between studs, when left open from top to bottom, acts as a flue, so that fire which might occur in the lower part of a house might easily be drawn up within the walls. As a safeguard against such spread of fire, a fire-stop is made by closing these spaces with wood blocks or some incombustible materials.

Q. Our house is old and does not have many electric outlets. Is it dangerous to have a number of lamps draw power from one floor outlet?

A. It could be. Now that so many electrical appliances are in common use—radios, phonographs, sewing machines, picture projectors, curling irons, heaters, and so on—and multiple receptacles available at any dime store, particular care should be exercised not to overload a circuit. Under no circumstances should fuses be replaced with others of higher resistance. The use of pennies in fuse sockets is foolhardy, as it creates a definite fire hazard.

HEAVY LOAD WIRES FREQUENTLY NEEDED

In houses where electric cooking facilities are to be used, or where any similar heavy loading may occur, care should be taken that the service-entrance wires are of suitable size. A special circuit of suitable capacity should be run to the range or other appliances, Federal Housing Administration officials advise.

No Reason For Increase In Home Ownership Costs

It is the considered judgment of Federal Housing Administration officials that no reason exists why families which have been contemplating the purchase of a home should hesitate to do so at justifiable current prices.

The FHA can see no valid reason at the present time for any marked increase in the cost of construction and of home ownership, Administrator Stewart McDonald said.

FHA JUDGMENT GIVEN

After careful study of the present situation in consultation with field offices, lenders, builders, and others, the Federal Housing Administration sums up its judgment as follows:

"Recent events, world-wide in their influence, have introduced a large number of uncertainties into the economic life of every nation. They have come into the life of our own nation and into the field of home building and are affecting this field in a number of communities.

"So far, the effect of these developments is to produce a considerable amount of questioning with espect to the trend of building price in this country. This questioning with respect to the future is a definite and concrete factor in the home-building and home-buying market. It is possible that in this situation efforts may be made to take advantage of the uncertainty and promulgate price increases, which are entirely unjustified by the underlying factors in the situation.

COST INCREASE UNLIKELY

"At the present time the Federal Housing Administration can see no reason for any marked increase in the cost of construction and home ownership. It may be that a continued struggle in Europe will produce circumstances in this country that will justify some inceases in the price of some of the items entering into the cost of building. But these circumstances are yet too nebulous to anticipate with any degree of accuracy.

"Furthermore, the Federal Housing Administration can see no reason why families which have been contemplating the purchase of a home should hesitate to do so at justifiable current prices."

Everett Rowland of Warrensburg shot a large wolf near there late in November.

Electrical Gifts



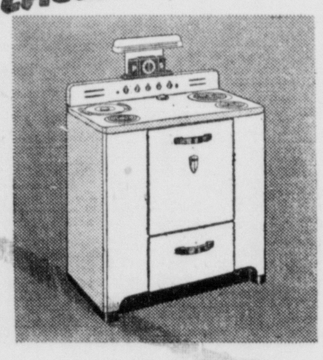
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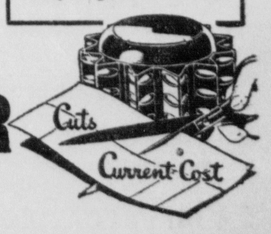
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McDaniel Enters Governor Race

Fulton, Mo., December 8.—Lawrence McDaniel, Excise Commissioner of St. Louis, made formal announcement tonight of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

McDaniel took advantage of a political debate on the New Deal with Walter C. Ploeser of St. Louis to toss his hat into the ring. He did not discuss any of the issues of his own campaign, but said he would have a statement in St. Louis tomorrow touching on state problems and outlining his position on various problems of importance in the state at this time.

RAN FOR MAYOR

It has been reported for several weeks that the portly St. Louis lawyer would seek the gubernatorial nomination and while he indicated his intention to run, made no formal announcement of his decision until tonight.

McDaniel has long been veteran leader in the Democratic organization in St. Louis and was the party nominee for Mayor in 1929, losing by a narrow margin to Mayor Victor J. Miller. He sought the Democratic nomination for Judge of the Supreme Court in 1936 and although he outran his opponent, Judge Ernest S. Gantt of Mexico in all of Missouri except Kansas City, was defeated by the tremendous vote rolled up for Judge Gantt in the Pendergast stronghold.

PLEDGED SUPPORT

It has been generally believed McDaniel will have the support of the Dickmann organization in St. Louis, although Mayor Dickmann has not pesonally come out for him. Justice of the Peace James H. Miller, one of the leaders of the faction opposed to the Dickmann administration, has assured McDaniel of his support.

McDaniel's wife is Democratic national committeewoman from Missouri.

STATE EMPLOYES MAY GET PRE-YULE CHECKS

Jefferson City, December 9.—It looked today as though the state employes might get their pre-Christmas paychecks after all.

W. A. Holloway, chief clerk in the State Auditor's office, said an unexpected windfall—a $272,000 inheritance tax payment on the estate of Mrs. Minnie M. Howard of St. Louis—had bolstered the general revenue fund to the point where pay roll funds were assured.

The pay roll amounts to about $400,000 a month, Holloway said.

At the start of this month, with only $62,000 in the general revenue funds, officials said it was duobtful if they could follow their past custom of issuing December pay checks in time for employes to use them in their Christmas shopping. In fact, for a time it seemed the state would have difficulty meeting the pay roll on the regular date at the close of the month.

More than half of the 30,000,000 families in the United States use gas for cooking purposes.

PRESERVE THE GREAT AMERICAN CHRISTMAS



SAFETY PRESERVES HAPPINESS

By Fred W. Braun
The Safety Man

Compare the happy, peaceful Christmas America will enjoy this year with that of war-torn European countries — countries in which Christmas has for ages, been celebrated with traditional gaiety and enjoyment—a day filled with age-old customs, many of which were brought to America by our forefathers and have become established customs here. We will enjoy them this year as usual. They will be missed by the people of Europe because "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" has been forgotten for the moment. Let us be thankful for the happiness that is ours as Americans! Let us preserve it by keeping America free from those elements that destroy it.

We in America do have one danger to face in our daily lives—the danger of accident—the one menace that stands ready to destroy our happiness at the first slip of carelessness. In the factory, on the road, in the home, the danger of accident exists night and day. Nearly 100,000 lives were snuffed out last year by this messenger of death—many thousands of them by automobile accident. Let us checkmate this danger by carefulness! Whatever you do, wherever you go—especially in your car during the holidays, be careful! Driving conditions, especially icy streets, in sleet, snow and darkness, should be considered and your speed and alertness gauged accordingly. America is free from the detructive forces of war—keep your home, your family, and yourself free from the disaster of accident!

Thomas Jefferson, in writing his own epitaph, made no mention of being President and left specific directions that "not a word more" be added to his copy.

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DISTRICT GRID MEN AT LOCAL DANCE

Football players this season from Dexter, Charleston, Jackson, Poplar Bluff, Cape Girardeau and Caruthersville attended the dance given by Sikeston High School seniors for grid players of Southeast Missouri Friday night at the gymnasium. A special entertainment skit, and contests of jitterbug and smooth dancing were the features.

ATTEND A. & P. CHRISTMAS PARTY

The A. & P. Managers' Association of the southern district entertained employes of the stores and their families at a dinner and Christmas party Sunday afternoon in the Rainbow Room of the Idan Ha Hotel in Cape Girardeau. Those from Siketon who attended the party were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Matthews, their daughter and son, Betty Jo and Billy, Margaret Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Potts and daughter and Jack Shelby.

BABY TO HOSPITAL

The 3-year-old daughter of Fred Fears, of near town, was taken in the Ellise ambulance Saturday to St. Francis Hospital for treatment of illness.

L. A. W. CLASS

The L. A. W. Class of the Christian Church will have a Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 12, at the home of Mrs. J. L. Sutterfield, 233 E. Gladys. Mrs. S. E. Reed will be assistant hostess.



Watch Your Weather During Christmas Day!

Remember these old superstitions about Christmas weather:

If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be a good crop the following year.

If ice will bear a man before Christmas, it will not bear a mouse afterward.

Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the rest of the winter.

Wet causes more damage than frost before than after Christmas.

If it snows Christmas night, the hop crop will be good next year.

At Christmas meadows green, at Easter covered with frost.

If windy Christmas day, trees will bear much fruit.

Christmas wet gives empty granary and barrel.

A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.

A warm Christmas, a cold Easter.

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MRS. MARY M. JOHNSON OF GRAY RIDGE DIES

Mrs. Mary M. Johnson, resident of Gray Ridge for 23 years, died at 1:30 p. m. Sunday. She was born Dec. 28, 1868. She leaves six children, Clinton of Hazelport, Mich., Morton of Flint, Mich., Walter of Dayton, O., Theodore of Gray Ridge, Samuel of Boonville, Mo., and Mrs. Effie Haynes of Essex. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Gray Ridge Baptist Church, Rev. Griffin and Rev. Taylor officiating, and interment with Ellise service will be in Idalia Cemetery.

IS YOUR CAR READY FOR WINTER DRIVING

It is hardly to be expected that the beautiful fall weather we have been enjoying up to the present time will continue. Rain, snow and sleet and the consequent hindrance to traffic on the roads and highways is to be expected.

Are you as well as your car in proper condition to meet the hazards of winter driving? If not, here are a few simple rules which should help.

Drive with extreme caution through snow storms, heavy rains, fogs or mists or dust.

In winter driving, be prepared for snow storms. Watch out for snow removal equipment.

Don't speed on wet or icy pavements. Drive carefully as spots covered with mud, snow, or ice may cause trouble.

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BEAUTY OPERATOR TAKES HAIR DRESSING COURSE

Mrs. Imogene Anderson, manager of the Sara Jane Beauty Shop, is spending Monday and Tuesday of this week in St. Louis taking special instructions in permanent waving under Frank Baird, Hollywood hair stylist.

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REV. TAYLOR GOES TO CONFERENCES

Rev. John L. Taylor left Monday to attend a state committee meeting for Central College at Jefferson City. He planned to go to Nashville, Tenn., to attend a meeting of deans of Methodists' pastors' schools Tuesday and Wednesday.

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